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UMACHARAN BISVAS,
Secretary.
Camp 7 and 8 Triplicane High Road,
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NOTIFICATION.

No. 3735 of 1913.
EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.
Bombay Castle, 17th December, 1913.

APPLICATIONS are INVITED for one State technical scholarship from candidates in the Bombay Presidency who are willing to undergo a course of instruction in Architecture and Building Construction.

2. The scholarship is of the value of £300 in all, and is tenable for three years, two of which are to be spent in India, and the third in travelling in Euorpe. The selected scholar will be articled to the Consulting Architect to the Government of Bombay for two years, during which period he must be prepared to undertake any course laid down for him at the Sir J. J. School of Art, Bombay. During this period he will be paid a stipend at the rate of Rs. 60 per mensem. During the third year the scholar will be required to carry out a tour for the purpose of architectural study in Europe according to a programme which will be laid down for him by the Government of Bombay, and for this he will receive a stipend of £204. The scholar will also receive a second class passage to Europe and a similar return passage to India, if he has duly complied with the regulations under which he holds the scholarship. He will also receive travelling allowance for *bona fide* journeys made in connection with his studies and approved by the Consulting Architect to Government whilst he is in India, or by the Secretary of State in respect of the tour in Europe.

3. Candidates for the scholarship must have successfully completed the four years' course in the architectural department of the Sir J. J. School of Art, Bombay. Any further work which the candidate has done in connection with the subject will be considered in making the selection. Applications must be accompanied by certificates signed by the Principal of the School of Art, Bombay, and by any person under whom the applicant has served, and must also be accompanied by designs, drawings, and specimens of his work.

4. Except for very special reasons applications for the scholarship from candidates over 30 years of age will not be considered.

5. Each application must be accompanied by evidence showing that the candidate is a *bona fide* native of the Bombay Presidency, that he is a man of good character, intelligent, and industrious, and what is his exact age* on the 1st February, 1914. Each candidate must also submit a certificate of physical capacity to undergo the course of life and study which he will have to follow in India or England, signed or countersigned by a Presidency or Civil Surgeon; and a statement showing his native place, parentage (father's name, and occupation), academic and practical qualifications, and prospects of employment on return.

* Supported by extracts from the birth register in a Mamlatdar's kacheri or from the school or college register, signed by the authorities concerned.

6. The selected candidate must satisfy the Director of Public Instruction that he is well able to write, speak, and understand English.

7. The scholar will, while in England, be subjecte to the rules,† so far as they are applicable, laid down by the Secretary of State for India for the guidance of the Government of India technical scholars, and, to such further regulations as may, from time to time, be made for their guidance by the Secretary of State.

† Printed below this notification.

8. Applications will be received by the Director of Public Instruction up to the 1st February, 1914, and they must be complete as regards all the conditions above defined.

9. All the certificates, etc., to be submitted with the applications should be in original (with true copy of each certificate signed by the applicant).

10. After the selection of the scholar has been made, his name will be notified in the *Bombay Government Gazette*, and he will then receive such further instructions as may appear to Government to be necessary, as regards value of the scholarship, study in India and Europe, duration of the periods of study, passage to and from England, travelling allowance, etc.

11. The scholar must depend upon his own exertions to make his living on return to India. Government do not undertake to provide him with employment.

By order of His Excellency the Right,
Honourable the Governor in Council,
J. L. RIEU,
Secretary to Government.

RULES FOR INDIAN GOVERNMENT TECHNICAL SCHOLARS IN ENGLAND.

1. The Secretary of State considers it desirable that all Government scholars should avail themselves of the information and advice which the Educational Adviser to Indian students is in a position to give them, and these rules are framed with that end in view. Government scholars equally with private students,' may consult the Educational Adviser upon any question, and will receive from him all possible assistance, and the Secretary of State hopes that they will communicate with the Educational Adviser, not only on the occasions when they are directed so to do in these rules but also in any circumstances of difficulty and whenever they desire advice or information. Scholars will be regarded as being under the supervision and charge of the Educational Adviser, to whom they should in all cases address any communication they may have to make and to whom also all reports or other communications having reference to scholars should be sent. The Educational Adviser will bring to the notice of the Secretary of State on behalf of any scholar any question requiring his decision, and will communicate to the scholar the orders passed by the Secretary of State.

2. Every scholar should on reaching England at once call on the Educational Adviser‡ and report his arrival in writing. He should leave his address with the Educational Adviser and intimate to him from time to time all changes therein.

3. Every scholar should, without unnecessary delay, inform the Educational Adviser to which University, college, or other institution he is about to proceed, and should at once take steps to enter himself at the institution finally selected with his approval.

4. Every scholar must, within four weeks of reaching England, submit to the Educational Adviser, for the approval of the Secretary of State, a statement showing the general course of study he proposes to follow to carry out the objects of the scholarship granted to him; and he should, during his first college term, submit a further statement showing as accurately as possible the details of the total cost of such course of study. This latter statement should in every case be prepared in consultation with the principal of the college or institution at which the student is entered.

The course approved must not be changed without the sanction of the Secretary of State.

5. Every scholar must give a written undertaking that he will devote himself exclusively, during the tenure of his scholarship to the study of the subject for which his scholarship was granted and that he will return to India on its termination, and there continue to devote himself to the industry which he has studied. Any scholar who neglects his studies, or tries to work for any other profession concurrently, will render himself liable to forfeiture of his scholarship.

6. Every scholar will be required to keep a concise daily, diary to be certified by the authority under whom he is working, and to be submitted at the end of each term through that authority to the Educational Adviser and to the Secretary of State for transmission to India. He must also submit, in the same way, from time to time, full notes of the work on which he is employed.

7. Scholars will be expected to continue their studies during the summer vacations of the institutions where they are working, with the exception of three weeks in each year. Vacation study should, when possible, take the form of practical work.

‡ The Educational Adviser's office is at 21, Cromwell Road, South Kensington, S. W.

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8. Applications giving a detailed programme of the vacation work the scholar proposes to do, accompanied with a complete estimate of any extra expenses for fees and travelling, must be sent in through the principal of the institution or the professor under whom the scholar is working before the end of the month of April. Scholars are not entitled to any subsistence allowance in addition to the scholarship allowance during time spent on vacation work, but a scholar who receives permission to visit the Continent may, if the Secretary of State for India in Council considers that the circumstances render it desirable, be granted a subsistence allowance calculated at such rate as the Secretary of State may decide.

9. Every scholar must, at the end of each term of residence at a University or college, submit to the Educational Adviser a certificate from the proper University or college authority, showing that his residence, conduct, and progress in study have been satisfactory during the term.

10. Every scholar must at all times obey such instructions as he may receive from the Secretary of State, either directly or through the Educational Adviser.

11. Subject to a due compliance with the above conditions, the allowance, at the rate of £150 a year for two years, or three years if so determined, will be paid quarterly, in advance, by the India Office, commencing from the date of the scholar's reporting his arrival in England. The first payment will be £37-10. Three months after the date of reporting arrival the amount to the ensuing official quarter day will be paid. Subsequent payments will be made in advance, on or after each official quarter day. The allowance will be reduced by the amount of any other sum which may become payable to him out of the revenues of India in respect of residence at a University, college or institution during the same period or any part of it, but not in respect of University or college fees, the cost of which will be separately defrayed by the Secretary of State. Fees for private tuition are not defrayed by the Secretary of State unless previously sanctioned by him.

The necessary travelling expenses of scholars by second class, or by third class, if no second class be available, will also be separately defrayed by the Secretary of State: these should be claimed on forms obtainable from the Educational Adviser.

Deposits and other charges which are part of the regular fees exacted by the authorities of the educational establishment in which a scholar is working will be paid by the Secretary of State; but charges for books, instruments, hotel bills, and medical attendance must be paid by the scholar himself (any refund of a deposit must be repaid to the Secretary of State).

12. No claim can be admitted for the payment or refund of any expenditure unless the scholar has obtained the *previous* sanction of the Secretary of State for India to such expenditure. (This does not apply to necessary travelling expenses referred to above.)

13. Every scholar will forfeit his scholarship who, not being disabled by illness or prevented by any other cause which the Secretary of State may consider sufficient, fails to complete the required term of residence in England according to the terms and conditions approved by the Secretary of State under rule 4, or who is guilty of misconduct or disregard of the instructions of the Secretary of State. If a scholarship be forfeited, or if it be resigned before completion of its term, or if a scholar on completion of the term of his scholarship declines to return to India in accordance with the undertaking mentioned on rule 5, the scholar will lose his claim to a free return passage to India, and will further become liable to refund the cost of his passage to England.

14. At the expiration of his scholarship a scholar is provided by the India Office with a free second class passage to India. The scholar is not entitled to make his own passage arrangements and to claim an allowance in lieu from the India Office without the special sanction of the Secretary of State. All communications on this subject are to be made to the Educational Adviser.

15. Should the Secretary of State be advised that the state of a scholar's health is such as to render his return to India desirable, the scholarship may be terminated forthwith and a free return passage granted to the scholar.

16. Every scholar when proceeding to England should take with him the original of his certificates, testimonials and other important personal documents.

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DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Tuesday, the 23rd December 1913, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Skies are clear. Humidity is normal or in excess. Maximum temperature is in defect in the north Punjab.

The United Provinces.—Skies are clear. Humidity is normal or in defect. Both maximum and minimum temperature are in excess.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are clear. Humidity is in excess in upper Sind and normal or in defect elsewhere. Temperature is nearly normal.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are clear. The air is damper than usaul in north Gujarat and Kathiawar. Temperature is nearly normal.

The Central Provinces.—Skies are clear. The moisture in the air is either equal to or below the aveage. Day temperature is in excess.

The Konkan.—Skies are clear. Humidity is generally in excess. Temperature is normal.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are clear. Humidity is normal or in defect. Maximum temperature is in excess at some stations.

General Remarks.—Weather has been dry and is likely to continue so generally.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN at 8 a. m. ON TUESDAY, the 23rd of December 1913.

STATIONS	Temp Shade. Maximum of past 24 hours.	Temp Shade. Minimum of past 24 hours.	Humidity. 8 A.M.	Rainfall. Past 24 hours.	Rainfall. Total 1st Dec. to date.	Rainfall. Variation 1st Dec. to date.
PERSIAN-AREA—						
Bushire						
Do. (19th)	59.8	51.0	89	6.15		2.52
Jask	74.8	59.8	63	1.43		0.12
Muskat						
Do. (19th)	75.3	?	61	0.08		—0.73
PUNJAB—						
Multan	68.8	41.5	78	0.10		—0.19
Rawalpindi	59.4	36.1	96	1.85		1.06
Lahore	67.9	43.2	94	0.49		0.17
Sirsa	71.8	43.0	84	0.65		0.49
Ambala	71.5	42.9	76	0.72		0.15
Delhi	74.0	48.8	79	0.52		0.08
UNITED PROVINCES—						
Agra	78.0	51.0	69	0.09		—0.18
Mainpuri	79.8	50.6	80	0.26		—0.16
Jhansi	81.6	57.5	55	0.37		0.08
Cawnpore	80.6	53.0	69	0.02		—0.39
Allahabad	81.4	52.9	57	0.68		0.11
SIND AND RAJPUTANA						
Jacobabad	72.1	41.8	77	1.30		1.13
Karachi	78.0	57.0	50	0.17		0.05
Ajmer	73.1	48.7	69	2.34		1.98
Jaipore	75.2	47.1	69	0.86		0.57
Kotah	79.6	54.1	49	1.03		0.72
GUJARAT, KATHIAWAR AND CENTRAL INDIA WEST—						
Bhuj	77.5	52.0	75	0.03		—0.12
Dwarka	77.8	60.7	79	0.00		—0.06
Veraval	84.1	60.8	75	0.00		—0.34
Rajkot	82.6	51.3	75	0.00		—0.28
Bhavnagar Para	82.5	58.3	70	0.00		—0.21
Surat	85.9	60.6	63	0.00		—0.14
Ahmedabad	83.1	57.7	74	0.00		—0.19
Deesa	82.3	46.9	60	0.01		—0.14
Neemuch	79.4	45.5	41	0.04		—0.21
Indore	82.1	51.1	55	0.20		—0.27
CENTRAL PROVINCES—						
Jubbulpore	81.8	47.3	62	0.94		0.27
Sangor	79.8	54.6	56	0.81		—0.04
Hoshangabad	83.1	49.4	61	0.77		—0.03
Khandwa	86.7	54.1	58	0.00		—0.70
Akola	88.2	50.5	36	0.49		—0.43
Amraoti	85.3	58.3	45	1.31		0.42
Nagpur	85.6	53.8	39	0.85		—0.23
Chanda	86.0	48.0	62	0.37		—0.59
Raipur	83.7	55.6	58	1.26		0.61
KONKAN—						
Bombay	82.9	69.2	80	0		—0.43
Ratnagiri	85.8	62.4	69	0		—0.52
Mormugao	84.0	68.7	89	0		—1.00
Karwar	89.2	67.0	89	0		—1.79
BOMBAY DECCAN AND HYDERABAD—						
Malegaon	89.9	52.1	53	0.08		—0.43
Ahmednagar	85.1	51.0	48	0.16		—0.73
Poona	86.0	51.3	73	0		—0.97
Sholapur	87.8	58.1	40	0.01		—1.30
Bijapur	88.7	61.3	35	0.24		—0.87
Belgaum	85.3	57.5	50	0.82		—0.89
Aurangabad	85.4	58.5	43	0.00		—0.70
Nizamabad (Indur).	88.9	50.2	35	0.02		—0.64
Hyderabad	86.3	55.7	51	0.00		—1.02
MALABAR COAST AND CEYLON—						
Mangalore	86.3	55.7	51	0.00		—1.02
Calicut	89.3	73.8	80	0.93		—2.18
Cochin	88.3	76.1	86	4.67		—0.04
Colombo	91.2	76.2	74	4.48		—3.21
MADRAS (EXCLUDING MALABAR) AND MYSORE—	85.5	74.5	90	27.02		10.35
Masulipatam						
Bellary	82.9	63.5	85	...		—5.89
Cuddapah	91.0	62.6	55	0.04		—2.03
Madras	85.6	60.1	70	3.09		—1.02
Bangalore	82.2	67.5	88	27.67		9.62
Coimbator	85.3	59.1	68	0.30		—2.94
Trichinopoly	86.7	65.4	83	4.87		0.77
Negapatam	83.1	66.8	76	10.30		3.29
	90.2	72.1	80	52.98		27.44

ALL INDIA WEATHER.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

SIMLA, Dec. 23.

The weather has been dry practically everywhere. The temperature is higher than usual in the United Provinces.

Forecast: A few showers in Assam and Upper Burma.

TEMPERATURE IN BOMBAY.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY, COLABA,
BOMBAY 23rd December 1913.

Means of observations taken at 6 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m. 4 p.m., and 10 p.m.		
Barometer corrected to 32 deg. Fahr	inches.	29.907
Temperature of Air	degrees.	75.5
Wet Bulb Thermometer	"	6-.2
Dew point	"	64.6
Relative humidity of Air		0.691
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky cloudy10)		0.0
Maximum temperature of Air	degrees.	82.9
Manimum do. do.	"	67.3
General direction of Wind from midnight to midnight		1SE NW,NNW
Movement of Wind do.		14

STANDARD BAROMETER READING

The following information is published in order that vessels in the Bombay Harbour may, by comparison with a standard instrument, ascertain the errors of their barometers:—

The reading of the Standard Barometer at the Colaba Observatory corrected for index error and reduced to 32 deg. F., and to the level of the tide at 8-45 a.m., Standard Time on the 23rd December, was 30.229 inches. For temperature corrections applicable to mercurial barometers of ships the reading of the ship's barometer as to be increased or decreased by .013 inch for every 5 degrees, according as the temperature of the attached thermometer is respectively below or above 80 deg. F. In case of the aneroid no temperature correction is needed. But for comparison at 80° F. all aneroid readings should be increased by 138 inch. For correcting the ship's barometer either mercurial or aneroid, for the height of the barometer cistern above the tide level in the stream at 8-45 a.m. Standard Time, the ship's barometer reading should be increased by .010 inch for every 10 feet of its height, to make it comparable with the observatory barometer reading given above.

SUN, MOON & TIDES AT BOMBAY.

The following are the hours and heights of the tides in Bombay Harbour during the ensuing week. Hours stated in Bombay Meantime. Depth of water is at Prince's Dock Sill.

1913	High Water				Depth on sill.	
Day of week.	Day of Month.	Bombay Mean Time.			ft.	in.
	December	h.	m.			
Tues.	23	m	6	53	26	2
			8	32 a	27	0
Wed.	24	m	7	57	26	1
			9	31 a	28	0
Thurs.	25	m	8	58	26	1
			10	22 a	28	10
Satur.	27	m	10	42	26	3
			11	52 a	29	3
Sun.	28	m	11	27	26	4
Mon.	29	m	0	31	29	9
			0	10 a	26	2

1913	Low Water.				Depth on sill.	
Day of week.	Day of month.	Bombay Mean Time.			ft.	in.
	December.	h.	m.			
Tues.	23		0	41a	20	11
		m	0	58	16	7
Wed.	24		1	37a	16	04
		m	2	19	20	11
Thurs.	25		2	27a	15	1
		m	3	26	20	7
			3	26	20	7
Satur.	27		3	14a	15	4
		m	5	9	19	9
Sun.	28		4	44a	14	11
		m	4	53	19	4
Mon.	29		5	34	19	1
			6	5 a	15	

The following are the hours of sunrise and sunset according to Indian Standard Time during the ensuing week:—

December.	Sunrise.		Sunset	
23. (Tues.)	7h.	7m.	6h.	7m
24. (Wed.)	7h.	8m.	6h.	8m
25. (Thurs.)	7h.	9m.	6h	9m
27 (Satur,	7h.	11m.	6h.	10m.
28 (Sun.	7h.	12m.	6h.	11 m.
29. (Mon.)	7h.	11m	6h.	11m

PHASES OF THE MOON:—

Full Moon	Dec.	18th	8h 30.3m.	P.M.
Last Quarter.	Do.	20th	9h 45.6m	P.M.
New Moon.	Do.	27th	8h 28.7m	P.M.
1st Quarter	Jan.	4th	6h 39.1m	P.M.

An interesting presentation was made at Myitkyina on Thursday in the shape of a Royal Humane Society medal to Mr. J. Bennie, General Manager, Burma Gold Dredging Co., Ltd., for saving from drowning the life of a Gurkha girl of ten on June 25th last in the Irawaddy river at the risk of his own life. Mr. W. A. Hertz, District Magistrate, presented the medal to the recipient with the hope that he might be spared to wear it many years.

COMMERCIAL.

CABLE QUOTATIONS.

LIVERPOOL COTTON.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 22.

	Bales.
Total Day's Sales at Liverpool	7,000
Total Day's Sales on Spec. & for Exp	500
Total Day's Sales of East Indian	
Total Day's Imports	32,000

Tone of Liverpool Cotton Spot:—Quiet-Easier
Tone of Liverpool Cotton Futures:—Steady
Tone of Manchester Market:—Steady with a moderate Demand

Mid. Americans	6-92—16
Egyptian F.G.F.	* 9-85—10
* Previous price	9.95 (not 95)
New York 11 a.m. (As known in Liverpool at closing time).	Jan. 12.17—3
	March 12.15—4
New York Official noon call	Jan. 12·15—5
	March 12·11—8
New Orleans 10 a.m.	Jan. 12.47unchgd.
	March 12.58 „

CLOSING PRICES.

D. J. ..	6.59—15
J. F. ..	6.62—14
F. M. ..	6.64—14
M. A. ..	6.66—14
A. M. ..	6.65—14
M. J. ..	6.65—14
J. J. ..	6.62—14
J. A. ..	6.59—15
A. S. ..	6.49—13
S. O. ..	6.30

THE MONEY MARKET.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 22

Consols 2½ %	71 7-16 plus 3-16
Exchange on London at Paris Fcs	25.32 unchgd.
Rentes 3 %	85—1-4
Berlin Cheques on London ..	20.40½unchgd.
Bar Silver Spot ..	26 13-16unchgd.
„ 2 months hence ..	26 13-16unchgd.
Closing Tone of silver:—Quiet	
Rupee Paper 3½ % ..	63⅞unchgd.
Exchange on India 30 d-st. (Bank buying Rate	1-32 unchgd.
Discount, Bank of England Rate 5% since 2nd Oct. 1913.	
3½ % India Stock (Sterling Loan)	85 plus 1¼
Discount Bank Bills 3 m-st	4 13-16unchgd.
Discount Indian Bank Bills 6 m-st.	4 3-8—1-16
Discount Fine Trade Bills 3 months	4 1-4 (?)
Discount Fine Trade Bills 6 months	4 7-8 (?)
Bar Gold (per oz.)	77-9
Interest day to day loans	4½ unchgd
Interest 7 day market loans	4½ unchgd

AMERICAN MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22

Day's Receipts at all U.S. Ports ..	51,000
Day's Exports to Great Britain ..	24,000
Day's Exports to Continent . ..	26,000
Futures at New York March ..	12.00—20
Futures at New York May	11.99—20

Declined owing to Longs Unloading and Southern selling of Futures in the local market.

Spot Cotton at New York ..	.. 12.50—10
„ „ „ Orleans	..12 5 8—3-8
Tone of Spot Cotton:—Quiet.	
Futures at New Orleans March	.. 12.29—18
Futures at New Orleans May	.. 12.40—18
Fair Rio Coffee (No. 7 quality)	9½unchgd
Demand Bills	4 85½ plus ⅛
Silver Commercial Bars ..	..57 7-8—1-8

ADDITIONAL QUOTATIONS.

Good Bengal M. G.	5 3-16d.
F. G. „ „	5 5-16d.
Fine „ „	5 7-16d.
Good Bhownuggur	5 13-16d.
F. G. „	5 15-16d.
Fine „	6 1-16d.
Fine M. G. Bhownuggur	6 1-16d.
Good Oomra M. G.	5 7-8d.
F. G. „ „	6d.
Fine „ „	6 1-8d.
Good M. G. Oomra	5 7-8d.
Fine M. G. Oomra	6 1-8d.
Good Broach	6 5-16d.
F. G. „	6 15-32d.
Fine „	6 5-8d.
Stock of Cotton in London	
Good Khandeish	5 3-4d.
F. G. „	5 7-8d.

MISCELLANEOUS MARKET REPORT.

WEAT.

Choice White Karachi, per 492lbs. C.I.F. Dec.-Jan.; London value unchanged	37
F.A.Q. Red Karachi, per 492lbs. C.I.F. nominal quiet.	
Afloat for United Kingdom 1,590,000.	
South American Barletta Russo—32½lb Jan.-Feb.; sellers dull.	33½
South Australian Jan.-Feb.; sellers unchanged	35½
Victorian Jan.-Feb.; sellers unchanged	35½
New South Wales Jan.-Feb.; sellers unchanged	35½

SEEDS.

Rapeseed. Yellow Cawnpore 416lbs 85 % ex-Ship March April May; Antwerp sellers unchanged	54½
Rapeseed, Yellow Guzerat, 416lbs. ex-Ship March April May Antwerp sellers unchanged	54½
Rapeseed, Brown, 416lbs. ex-Ship Dec. Jan.; Hamburg sellers firm unchanged	43
Linseed Bombay per 416lbs. ex-Ship March May; Dunkirk nearest value firm unchanged	49½
Linseed Calcutta done-firmer Dec.-Jan.; London	47-1½plus7½d
Linseed Argentine (La Plata) Jan.-Feb Hull done firm unchanged	44½
Bombay Cottonseed Jan.-Feb.: Hull done easier	£6-11—1s.

METALS.

Standard Copper G.M.B.	£61⅛ plus ⅜
Copper Braziers	£30½plus ½
Yellow Metal unchanged	6-7-8

FREIGHT.

Coals:—Cardiff to BoDbay Canal value	11-6
Arrivals.—Hindoo Inkenturm.	

SUGAR.

German granulated Sugar C. & F. India (Double bags) sellers Jan.-March; steady but little doing unchanged	12-3¾
Hungarian Crystals Sugar C. & F. India sellers Jan.-March; quiet neglected unchanged	11.7½
German Beet-root 88 % sellers Dec. 9plus 1½d	
German Beet-root 88 % sellers May 9-4½plus½d	
Opened steady closed dull.	
E.A.R. & Similar Crystals C. & F. India sellers Jan.-March; steady but very quiet unchanged	13-1½
Mauritius Crystals C. & F. Calcutta January value unchanged	10-10½
Mauritius Crystals C. & F. Bombay January value quiet unchanged	10-9
Java Sugar very quiet unchanged.	

BEETROOT SUGAR CROP.

The Amended Factories Estimate of the Beetroot Sugar Crop is 8,120,000 tons.

RUBBER.

Para Rubber Dec.-Jan.; value steady 3½plus ½

BOMBAY MARKETS.

(From our Correspondents.)

Dec. 23.

IMPORTS OF TREASURE.

Packages.	Rs.	From	Bank.

Nil.

EXCHANGE.

The tone of the Market is firmer and the rate for three months bills is 1.4 3/8. There has been a moderate enquiry for Bank remittance and 1/32 better for T. T. ready could be obtained, though not the general rate. Some three months bills have been placed.

The Banks will be closed tomorrow, Thursday and Friday for the Christmas holidays.

We quote:—

	s.	d.
BANKS SELLING—		
T. T. ready ..	1-4	1-16
D. D. mail	1-4	3-32
T. T. forward, End. Jan.	1-4	3-32
BANKS BUYING—		
Private D. D. ready ...	1-4	5-32
Credits 3 m-s ready ...	1-4	3-8
„ „ forward, 15 Mar.	1-4	5-16
„ 6 m-s ready ...	1-4	9-16
Francs 3 m-s ready ...		172
Marks „ „ ...		130¾
60 dys Hongkong ...		142
„ „ Shanghai ...		191½
„ „ Japan		147½

BULLION.

Bar Silver in London was quiet and unchanged at 26 13/16 both for ready and for delivery. The Local Market has had an easier tone and has declined about three annas since the opening. Closing rates are as under.

We quote:—	Rs.	a.	p.
English bar gold	24	0	3
Australian bar gold	23	15	9
Sovereigns	15	0	0
Silver (cum duty) ready	77	3	0
„ „ 1st Settlement ..	77	2	0
„ „ 2nd „ ..	76	13	0

Exports of Bar Silver from Bombay by Rail on 20th and 21st December 1913.

	Bars.	Ounces
G. I. P. Railway	88	78,063
B. B & C. I. Railway.....	144	162,586

GOVERNMENT PAPER.

The Paper Marked stood steady to-day in the vicinity of Rs. 95-8 for 5th January delivery. A limited amount of business was done during the day.

4 per cent. Port Trust Bonds were placed at Rs. 102-2 (long-dated).

SHARES.

The Share Market remained active to-day and good business for cash was reported.

Standards moved up to Rs. 1,150.

Madhavji remained steady at Rs. 1,060.

Currimbhai were quoted at Rs. 208-12.

New Great at Rs. 207-8.

Colabas were placed at Rs. 1,380.

Swadeshi advanced to Rs. 1,445.

Ahmedabad Advance improved to Rs. 775.

Gujrat Railway shares changed hands at Rs. 108 and Rs. 108-8 in a lot.

Bank of India were in demand at Rs. 63.

Bank of Bombay advanced to Rs. 1,590.

Tata Iron and Steel ordinary shares were placed at the prices varying from 74 to 76. Deferred declined to Rs. 141.

Owing to the X'mas holidays the Share Market is closed till Monday next with a partial opening on Monday.

COTTON.

A further sharp decline of 18 to 20 points is advised on the American Markets. Spot cotton in New Orleans was 3/8 down. The Market seems to be entirely in the hands of "bear" operators at the moment, but the late decline has been a very sharp one and a reaction is about due. Possibly it may not occur until after the holidays.

The Local Market opened weak at Rs. 284 for good Broach, and during the early part of the day the rate fell to Rs. 281½. From this point there was a rise to Rs. 285-86. At Colaba this afternoon the tone of the Market was firm and export houses were less inclined to sell. Good Broach advanced to Rs. 289 at which rate the Market closed. There is a better feeling in the Market and more demand in the bazaar and from up-country dealers for most descriptions. Bazaar prices close Rs. 4 to Rs. 5 higher than the Room quotations.

LIVERPOOL OPENER.

	Barely.	Steady.
Opening Tone		
Estimated Sales		8,000
Total Imports		61,000
Months.		
D. J.	6.54	— 5
J. F.	6.57	„ 5
F. M.	6.59	„ 5
M. A.	6.61	„ 5
A. M.	6.60	„ 5
M. J.	6.60	„ 5
J. J.	6.57	„ 5
J. A.	6.56	— 3
A. S.	6.47	— 2

B. C. T. A. QUOTATIONS.

Growths	Super Fine.	Fine.	Fully Good.	Good.	Delivery.
H. G. Bengals			2½ ..		Jan. 25th.
M.G. Bengals	218	206	200 ..		„
Do.	218	206	200 ..		Ready.
M. G. Scind-Punjab		204	198 ..		Jan. 25th.
Do.		204	198 ..		Ready.
M. G. Khandeah		218	208 ..		Jan. 25th.
Do.		..	.. ..		Ready.
M. G. HinguchatWardha ..		274	.. ..		Jan. 25th.
M. G. Nagpore, Kamptee ..		271	.. ..		„
Do. Yeotmahl		264	.. ..		„
Do. Dhamangaum, ..					
Poolgaum		258	.. ..		..
Do. Akola, Khamgaum "Fair Staple"		245	.. ..		..
Do. Amraoti		248	.. ..		..
Do. Broach		293	..	284	Mar. 25th.
Do. Muttia		2 0	201 ..		Jan. 25th.

WHEAT AND SEEDS.

Wheat:—The Market is quiet.

Quotations:—

	Rs.	a.	p.	
Ready White, Pessi 85 %	5	7	0	R. T.
White Pessi 75 %	5	6	0	R. T.
White Delhi, May	5	12	6	R. T.

Linseed:—The Market is Firm.

Quotations:—

	Rs.	a.	p.	
Bold Brown, Ready	7	15	0	B. T.
Bold Brown December	8	8	0	R. T.
Bold Brown May	9	3	0	„

Rapeseed:—The Market is quiet.

Quotations:—

	Rs.	a.	p.	
Brown Cawnpore	7	12	0	B. T.
Yellow Cawnpore	9	0	0	„
Brown Delhi, May	9	0	3	R.T.

Teelseed:—The Market is quiet but steady.

Quotations:—

	Rs.	a.	p.	
85 % Bold White.....58	0	0		
Mimbara.....59	0	0		
Black Kutni J.F. 48	0	0		

Groundnuts:—The Market is quiet.

Quotations:—

	Rs.	a.	p.	
Bold 48	8	0		
Small 47	0	0		

Mowrasced:—The Market is quiet.

Quotations:—

	Rs.	a.	p.	
Ready..... 8	1	0	B	T.

Poppyseed:—The Market is quiet.

Quotations:—

	Rs	a.	p.	
Ready ..... 10.	12	0	B	T

RECEIPTS.

The following are the Receipts of Cotton produce and principal Food Grains into Bombay for the 43 hours ending yesterday at 6p.m:—

Cotton	19,303 Bales
Wheat	3,063 Cwts.
Linseed	8,193 „
Rape, Rai, etc,.	830 „
Gingelyseed	25,747 „
Poppyseed.....	77 „
Groundnuts.....	21,063 „
Castorseed	6,743 „
Rice	1,632 „
Myrabollams	763 „
Cottonseed	38,940 „
Mowrasced	334 „
Gram	3,667 „
Jowar.....	3,523 „
Maize	Nil „
Barley	1,379 „

CALCUTTA COMMERCIAL REPORT.

MONEY AND JUTE MARKETS.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 23.

As Christmas falls this year on Thursday the weekly meeting of the Bank of Bengal was held this morning instead of on the usual date. The directors made no change in the Bank rate which remains at seven per cent.

Cash balances are down at the head office to the extent of about Rs. 4,00,000 but they are up to more than Rs. 22,00,000 at the branches, and the percentage of cash to liabilities works out at 38.07 as against 37.04 last week, and 36.28 the week before.

Telegraphic transfers are at 1.4 1/16, on demand is quoted at 1.4 3/32 and while three months' bills stand at 1.4 3/8 the price for the extended position is 1.4 9/16.

Government Paper opened at Rs. 95-6 and closed for cash at Rs. 95-7. With nine day's holiday on the exchange commencing from to-morrow, there was no inclination for business, and the day passed off with nothing to report of any consequence.

In the Market for Raw Jute Rs. 85 is offered by buyers with sellers holding off for one rupee more.

LAD BANIA COMMUNITY.

EXHIBITION OF HANDICRAFTS.

The scheme for an Exhibition of the handicrafts of the members of the Lad Bania Community is now completed and steps are being taken to give shape to it. Following the example of the Pathere Prabhu Hindus of our City, this section of the Gujarati community are holding an Exhibition at the Lad Vadi and are collecting exhibits of a variety of crafts pursued by their members in their homes. Particular importance is also being given to the handiwork of children and valuable prizes will be given them for encouragement. A gathering of the members of this community will held at the Lad Vadi, C. P. Tank Road, on the 31st January 1914, and the Exhibition will be declared open, in the presence of those assembled. It will remain open for three more days on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd February, 1914, when it is hoped every household of this community will take advantage of the opportunity and add to its store of knowledge. For the convenience of ladies the Exhibition will be closed to the male members between the hours of 2 and 5 P. M. on each day.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE SOUTH AFRICAN FUND.

The admirers of Shrimad Raj Chandra, the well-known Jani Philosopher with whom Mr. Gandhi was in personal touch have raised amongst themselves a fund to help the South African struggle, the following are the subscriptions up to now:—

Sheth Punjabhai Hirachand, Rs. 100; Mr Mansukhlal R. Mehta, Rs. 100; Mr. Kevaldas Jethabhai, Rs. 20; Mr. Chunilal Lallubhai, Rs. 15; Mr. Kalidas Shah, Rs. 15; Mr. Keshavlal Girdhurlal, Rs. 5.

Total Rs. 255. The money has been sen to proper quarters through the Ahmedabad Anti S. A. public meeting.

A PUBLIC LECTURE.

Under the auspices of the Zoroastrian Conference Dastur Dr. M. N. Dhalla, M. A., Ph. D., will deliver a public lecture in the open compound of the Banaji Firetemple at Karelwadi this evening at 6 P. M. (S. T.), on "Dogmas and Eternal Verities in the Zoroastrian Religion." The lecture is open to the general public.

GOCULDAS TEJPAL HOSPITAL.

We are requested to state that presents of fruits and sweets for the patients of this Hospital will be gratefully accepted by the surgeon in charge.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

December 23rd.

S.S. Orseals	Chiesa	Venice Nov. 26
S.S. Taiyabi	Kass	Mauritius Dec. 8
S.S. Itinda	Mc Clelland	Calcutta Nov 22
S.S. Kalibia	Steewart	Karachi Dec. 20

DEPARTURES.

December. 23rd.

S.S. Ninive	Metzenthin	Persian Gulf
S.S. Braunfels	Oltmann	Hamburg & Breman via Karachi
S.S. Ormidale	Thomson	Calcutta
S.S. Lawoe	Coates	Jeddah

The following vessels obtain her portclearance on Tuesday.

S.S. Orangemoor	Moffett	Port Said (for order) Antwerp

The following vessels began to load on Tuesday.

Steamer	*Armend Behic	for Noumea
„	Assaye	for China
„	Orsealo	for Calcutta

*To Arrive

S.S. Orsealo:—The V. S. N. Coy's steamer Orsealo, 2,849 tons, Captain S. Chiesa, arrived in harbour on Tuesday from Venice, which port she had left on November 26, with a general cargo and passengers.

S.S. Taiyabi:—The steamer Taiyabai, 2,041 tons, Captain H. E. Kass, arrived in harbour on Tuesday, from Mauritius, which port she had left on December 8, with a general cargo passengers.

S.S. Itinda:—The B. I. S. N. Coy's steamer Itinda, 3,397 tons, Captain H. McClelland, arrived in harbour on Tuesday from Calcutta, which port she had left on November 22, with a general cargo and passengers.

S.S. Kalibia:—The steamer Kalibia 3,149 tons, Captain J. Stewart, arrived in harbour on Tuesday from Karachi, which port she had left on December 20, with ballast.

S.S. Ormidale:—The steamer Ormidale, 2,304 tons, Captain Thomson, sailed on Tuesday for Calcutta, with ballast.

S.S. Lawoe:—The steamer Lawoe, 1,817 tons, Captain W. H. Coates, sailed on Tuesday for Jeddah, with a general cargo and 83 pilgrims.

S.S. Orangemoor:—The steamer Orangemoor, 2,475 tons, Captain C. S. Moffett, will sail to-day for Port Said (for order) and Antwerp, with a general cargo.

The Ellerman Line s. s. City of Poona outward bound sailed from Marseilles on the 20th instant.

TUESDAY December 23rd, 1913.

P. DOCK.

Shed	Steamer	Capt.	Agents
A	Rinaldo	Chilton	J. F. & Co
B	Vasilefs	Constantinos Coutytery	Ralli Bros
C & R	Sangola	Wilsher	M. M. & Co
F.	Colaba	Ross	M. M. & Co
K.	Orangemoor	Moffett	W. & A. G. & Co
M.	Spitzfels	Krippner	W. & A. G. & Co
N.	Cressington Court	Barcham	W. & A. G. & Co
P.	Queen Eugene	Legg	J. L. & Co

V. DOCK.

1	Cairn Hill	Moodee	W. & A. G. & Co.
2	Circassia	Osborne	W. & A. G. & Co
3.	Imani	Lyons	T. M. & Co
4.	Athamas	Zarbies	P. N. & Co
5.	Garryvale	McClure	W. & A. G. & Co
6	City of Corinth	Gordon	K. N. & Co.
7.	Trantenfels	Metz	W. & A. G. & Co
8.	Semiramis	Pavisich	A. L. S. N. & Co
10 x 11	Devanha	Hidkey	P. & O. S. N. & Co.
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15.	Pundra	Handcock	M. M. & Co

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Irrawadi	McPhail	K. N. & Co

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Homayun	Hannah	T. M & Co
Inverness	Veous	W. & A. G. & Co
India	Talbot	P. & O. S. N. Co
Itinda	Mc Clelland	M. M. & Co.
Kanzler	Smith	D. M. Khandwani
Khosrou	Hannan	T. M. & Co
Kola	Denne	M. M. & Co.
Killibia	Stewart	T. M. & Co.
Ozarda	Mills	M. M. & Co
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Palamcotta	Elton	M. M. & Co
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Seistan	Forbes	M. M. & Co
Taiyabi	Kass A. M.	Jeevanji & Co.
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BOMBAY IMPROVEMENT TRUST.

QUISITION OF CLOTH MARKET SITE.

A special meeting of the Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay was held yesterday, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Orr, Chairman of the Board, presiding.

The report of the Improvement Committee regarding the Engineer's proposals regarding a poorer classes' accommodation scheme for having some of the employees of the Spring Mills, at Sewree, was adopted. The report said that the site was a suitable one and that the engineer's proposals were satisfactory.

Sir Ibrahim Rahimtulla moved the following proposition:—

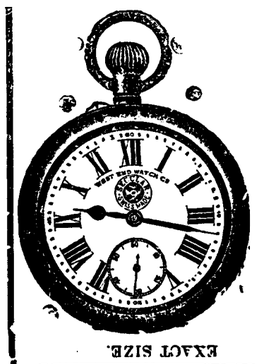
"That the Chairman be requested to report whether it is a fact that buildings acquired by the Board in connection with schemes are farmed out to contractors for the collection of rents, and if so, to submit a list of such buildings showing the amount of monthly rent on the basis of which compensation was awarded and the sum for which each contract is given."

Sir Ibrahim said that once upon a time buildings acquired by the Trust in connection with improvement schemes used to be farmed out to contractors for the collection of rents, but that practice was stopped after it was ascertained that the feeling of the Board was against it. That was done with a view that rents might not be raised directly or indirectly in connection with properties acquired with a view to be demolished. In his opinion it was wrong that buildings waiting to be demolished should be utilised as a source of increasing their revenue.

The Chairman said that he would submit the list asked for and intended to write a note on the subject. The proposition was adopted.

Further consideration was given to a note by the Chairman regarding the acquisition of the site of the Lakhmidass Khimji Cloth Market, recently burnt down. It appeared that the Trust would have to suffer a loss of Rs. 2½ lakhs over the scheme to make a road over the length of 129 feet.

It was resolved that the Board was not prepared to make a scheme if the nett loss was likely to exceed 1½ lakhs.



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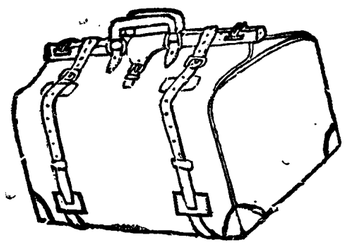

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BOMBAY CHURCHES.

TO-MORROW'S DIVINE SERVICES

Christmas Day, 25th Dec. 1913.

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

The Cathedral (St. Thomas the Apostle), Church Gate Street. Clergy: The Ven. C. M. Barham, Archdeacon and Senior Presidency Chaplain, and Rev. C. D. T. Mason. 6-15 a.m. and 7 a.m., Holy Communion (Plain); 8-30 a.m., Holy Communion (Choral). Woodward in A. flat. Hymns 59, 60, (323, 62, 556) 595.—Carol; 6-30 p.m. Evensong and Carols. Canticles, Tours in F. Hymns, 59, 60. Collections for the Poor Fund.

St. Mary the Blessed Virgin Parel.—Chaplain—Rev. H. Martindale, 7 a.m. Holy Communion (plain); 8-30 a. m. Holy Communion (choral); 5-30 p.m., Sermon: Preacher: Rev. H. Martindale.

Afghan Memorial Church, Colaba.—Chaplain: Rev. C. E. de Coetlogon; 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 10 a.m., Parade Service; 5-15 p.m., Sunday School; 6-30 p.m., Evening Service.

Emmanuel Church, Girgaum.—Clergy: Rev. Canon R. S. Heywood, Rev. H. W. Lea-Wilson, Rev. T. W. Sharpley, Rev. Canon D. L. Joshi and Rev. L. Hari—(English) 8 a.m. Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Morning Prayer, Holy Communion and Sermon; Collections for the "League of Mercy."

St. Paul's Kamatipura (S. P. G.), Foras Road—Clergy: Rev. A. J. P. French, M.A., (Hindustani). Rev. J. Martin (Tamil). 7-30 a.m., Matins, Litany and Holy Communion (Urdu); 10 a.m., Matins, Litany and Holy Communion alternately (Tamil); 5 p.m., Evensong (Urdu).

Christ Church Byculla.—Chaplain: Rev. Aikman Wilson, M. Litt. 6-30 and 7-30 a.m. Holy Communion; 8-30 a.m. Holy Communion (Choral) with Sermon; 11 a.m. Matins. 5-30 p.m. Evensong with Carols.

Church of St. Stephen the Martyr, Bandra.—11 a.m., Shortened Matins, Sermon and Holy Communion; Rev. H. Martindale. Chaplain, will celebrate and preach.

Holy Cross, Umarkhadi Christmas Eve, 7 p.m. Evensong Holy Baptism and Lauds and Procession.

Christmas Day: Holy Eucharist in English at 6-15 a.m., in Marathi at 5-30 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m., Solemn Service with Procession.

St. Peter's Mazagon. Christmas Eve. 6-30 p.m., Evensong and Carols. Preacher: Father Maywell.

Christmas Day, 6-30 a.m. Holy Eucharist. 7-30 a.m., Mautins. 8 a.m., Solemn Eucharist, 6-30 p.m. Evensong and Carols. Alms for the Poor, and the E. and E. Relief Fund.

BAPTIST.

Bombay Baptist Church (opposite the Post Office) Middle Colaba. Minister: Rev. H. E. Barrell.—9 a.m., Xmas Service, Preacher: Rev. H. E. Barrell; "The Holy City" will be rendered by C. W. Hopkinson, Esq.

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND.

Christmas Day. St. Andrew's Church, Apollo St., Fort. Chaplain: Rev. W. Thompson, M.A. Service at 11 a.m. Collection for the Poor. Paraphrase 37 (Winchester); Hymns 28, 30 and 533.

28th December (St. Andrew's Church), Apollo Street, Fort—Chaplain: Rev W. Thomson M. A. 9-30 a.m. United Morning Service; 6-30 p.m. Evening Service; Collection for the Additional Clergy Society; Psalm 130 Martyrdom; Hymns 438, 429, and 306.

United Free Church of Scotland, Waudby Road.—Chaplain, Rev. R. M. Grey M. A. 9-30 a.m., United Service in St. Andrew's Church; 5 p.m., Evening Service for young people; 6-30 p.m., Evening Service. Preacher: Rev. R. M. Grey.

THE AGA KHAN TO VISIT RANGOON.

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(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

RANGOON, Dec. 23.

Word has been received from His Highness the Aga Khan that he will visit Rangoon during the first week in February. This will be his first visit to Burma for several years, and nothing is being left undone by the members of the Khojah community to make the event a memorable one. It is expected that a large number of visitors will come from India.

Already a committee of arrangement is at work and the community have petitioned the Chairman of the Port Commissioners, to grant them permission to erect a temporary pandal at Barr Street Jetty, capable of accommodating 500 people, where the Aga Khan will be presented with an address of welcome.

BOMBAY POLICE CLUB.

The Bombay City Police Club held their annual Christmas Tree for their youngsters in the grounds of the Esplanade Police Court yesterday, when a large number of Police officers with their wives and children were present. A number of races were organised for the children which were keenly competed for. There was also a palace of 10,000 lights and panoramic views of Scott's Antarctic Expedition. At the conclusion of the races, Mrs. Griffiths gave away the prizes. The success of the sports was due to the efforts of Superintendent Williams, President, and Inspector Sykes, Secretary of the Club.

WESTERN INDIA TURF CLUB.

CLASSIFICATION OF ENGLISH AND AUSTRALIAN HORSES.

The following horses have been classified as under:—

CLASS I.

Beckmesser, Bombastic, Chobham, Coat-of-Arms, Dalmatia, Gunboat, Hilarity, Hoppner, Keeni, Kempion, Kurnell, Last Call, Lord Carlyon, Lumination, Madrina, Mayfowl, Monaleen II, Paul Pry, Polish, Punt, Shining Way, Ute, Valerius and Watch Tower.

CLASSES II. AND III.

Adelaide II., Airman, Bachelor's Knot, Bally Sand, Bambino, Beroil, Boomey, Borambil, Borgie, Canberra, Devereux, Double Chin, Duke of Lancaster, Eagle Bird, First Venture, Flying Fish, Glengarry, Hamara, Impecunious, Lady Douglas, Lady K., Lancelar, Lithosian, Lord Reay, Lord Robert, Macann, Martha, Meddling, Mil, Molly, S., Monsoon, Mordialloc, Mr. Pecher, North, Pantomime II, Parkhill, Portrush, Prima Donna, Pretty Good Sort, Roselea, St. Gingen, St. Alban, Seigneurie, Silver Memory, Silver Bolt, Smirk, Solution, Starborn, Sugar Loaf, Tartania, Twa Brigs, Uncle Fred, Vancouver, Vic's Pride, Wee Bubbles, Wild Bird, and Yvette.

1. The above classes are subject to revision from time to time at the discretion of the Handicapper, *i.e*, a horse is at any time liable to be transferred from one class to another.

2. The attention of owners and trainers is called to Rule 3, General Conditions, Programmes, Bombay Races and Bombay Extra Meetings.

3. Any horse not included in the above lists will be classified on application being made in writing to the Secretary, at the Turf Club Office, Byculla, Bombay.

ACCEPTANCES VICEROY'S CUP.

MAYFOWL STILL FAVOURITE.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

SIMLA, Dec. 23.

The following eight horses are left in for the Viceroy's Cup to-morrow:—Mayfowl, Jemima, Hilarity, Milliner, Valerious, Jacamar, Saxonite and Metamuc. Mayfowl is stil the favourite, but Jemima is running him very close.

POLO CHAMPIONSHIP.

C. I. HORSE BEAT 2ND LANCERS.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 23.

In the Polo Championship this afternoon, the 39th Central India Horse beat the 2nd Lancers by 12 goals to 2. The game was discontinued in the 6th chukker when a Lancer's pony injured its leg.

In the next game, the Viceroy's Staff beat the 8th Hussars by 15 goals to 2. The Viceroy arrived on the Ground during the game.

CRICKET IN CALCUTTA.

Playing for the Maharaja of Nattore's team on Sunday last against the Aryans, the well-known player Yusuf Beg of the Poona Deccan Gymkhana scored 109 runs and P. Gunpat carried out his bat with 140 to his credit.

BAND AT BANDRA.

The Imperial Band will play a select programme of Music at the Bandra Land's End on Sunday, the 28th inst. commencing at 5-45 p.m.

BAND AT ESPLANADE.

By kind permission of Lt. Col. R. M. Thompson V.D. and Officers, the Band of the 1st Battn., R. B. & C. I. Ry. Vols., will play the following programme under the direction of Mr. Geo. W. Salter, at Esplanade this evening, commencing at 5-45 p.m.

March—King of the Seas .....Gurtner.
Overture—Reinzi .....Wagner.
Valse—Parisienne .....Ganne.
Selection—Robert le Diable .....Meyerbeer.
Cornet Solo—Bercense e Jocelyn .....Goddard.
Minuet from Samson .....Handel.
Dance Suite— .....Sarakowski.
Bolero—Leggiero Invisible .....Arditi.

CHIEF COMMISSIONERSHIP OF C. P.

MR. CRUMP TO OFFICIATE.

(From our Correspondent.)

DELHI, Dec. 23.

The vacancy, as the Chief Commissioner of Central Provinces about to be caused by the deputation of the Hon. Sir Benjamin Robertson to South Africa, will be filled up by the appointment of Mr. Crump.

As officiating Chief Commissioner, Mr. Crump who is the Financial Commissioner is the senior member of the Commission and his appointment will prove popular in the Provinces.

A PROHIBITED URDU PAMPHLET.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

DELHI, Dec. 23.

A "Gazette of India Extraordinary" issued this morning in the Commerce Department contains the following notification: "In the exercise of the power conferred by Section 19 of the Sea Customs Act 1878 (eight of 1878) the Governor General in Council is pleased to prohibit the bringing by sea or by land into British India of any copy of an Urdu paper called the "Ghasir" mutiny published by the Yugantar Ashram of San Francisco U. S. A."

No definite news is available from Baharalpur State except that the proposed deputation of the Hindu Conference did not visit the State as the Council of Regency thought such a step uncalled for.

BOMBAY POLICE COURTS.

THIEF WITH EIGHT PREVIOUS CONVICTIONS.

COMMITTED TO THE SESSIONS.

At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, before Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Sub-Inspector Karnik charged one Mahomed Hussein with the theft of Rs. 5-11-0 belonging to one Dattaram Pandurung. The case for the prosecution was that the accused removed the money from the complainant's pocket, when he was arrested. The accused who had eight previous convictions against him, was committed to take his trial at the Criminal Sessions of the High Court.

CRIMINAL BREACH OF TRUST.

DIAMOND BROKER SENTENCED.

At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, before Mr. Frank Oliviera, Third Presidency Magistrate, a broker named Mukundram Hiralal, who is undergoing sentences amounting to two years and six months for criminal breach of trust, was charged with criminal breach of trust in respect of diamonds worth Rs. 13,000. The diamonds were entursted to him by one Revashunker Jagjivan. He was convicted and sentenced to one month's rigorous imprisonment.

DISHONEST CARTMEN.

Yesterday at the Mazagon Police Court before Rao Bahadur C. N. Setalvad Inspector De Burgh charged Chand Carsam and Mahomed Haji Sheik Oomer with criminal breach of trust as carriers, and Kapurchand, Ramchand, and Dattaram Tukaram with receiving stolen property.

It appears that two cartmen obtained the badges from two other cartmen on the pretext that they had engaged their carts and disappeared. The accused then got two tin plates made corresponding to the numbers on the badges. These plates they affixed to their two carts and plied them for hire. On the 14th of October one Amrutlal Chhaganlal loaded the cart of the first accused with six bales of Cashmere cloth valued at Rs. 1,500 at the Islam mill, and directed him to deliver the same at his master's godown at Hanuman Lane. The accused had since disappeared and a report was made to the Police.

Similarly the cart of the second accused was loaded on the 25th November by one Ambalal Nathalal at the Century Mill with six bales of fancy cloth of the same value to be taken to a shop in Princess Street. This cart likewise failed to turn up when the Police were informed. On the 15th instant Inspector De Burgh noticed Kapurchand and Ramchand quarrelling over some money at Supari Baug Road and questioned them as to what they were quarrelling about. Kapurchand said they had a dispute over some bales and as Inspector De Burgh continued questioning him minutely he abruptly walked away. This aroused the suspicions of Inspector De Burgh who had already heard of the disappearance of the bales and so he cleverly directed a policeman in plain clothes to watch Kapurchand's movements. It was ascertained that Kapurchand and the other two had hired a godown in Bazaar Gate Street where they had stored six bales of fancy cloth. These bales were shown to Ambalal who identified them as belonging to him. Kapurchand then made a statement which led to the arrest of the other two. The case stands adjourned.

SERIOUS COLLISION ON HORNBY ROAD.

A PARSI GIRL INJURED.

A serious collision occurred on Hornby Road yesterday between a private shigram and a tram-car, which very nearly resulted in the death of a little Parsi girl aged eight years, who was occupying the shigram along with her father Dr. Madon, and Mr. Ramanally Currim. The gharrie in question was driving through Napier Road into Hornby Road when the driver, intending to cross straight over to the other side, collided with a tram-car proceeding towards Bori Bunder. The shock of the impact was so great that the driver was thrown clear from his seat, and the shafts of the shigram were completely smashed, thus liberating the horse, who finding himself unimpeded by harness, attempted to bolt but was luckily secured by one of the witnesses of the accident.

The little girl was badly cut on her face and legs, but beyond this, sustained no severe injuries. The other occupants and the driver had a miraculous escape, although the vehicle was completely overturned by the collision. It is rumoured that a Parsi gentleman while in the act of lifting the injured girl from beneath the fallen vehicle had his umbrella stolen from him.

APPRECIATION OF SERVICES.

FUND FOR TECHNICAL SCHOLARSHIP

A large gathering of the friends of Rao Bahadur Dhakji Cassinathji, J.P., was held on Sunday last in the luxuriously furnished "shamiana," in front of the house of Mr. Adandrao Vijayakar, for the purpose of deciding the manner in which to dispose of the fund collected to commemorate the services of the Rao Bahadur to his community for many years past, and it was resolved to hand the sum over to Government, under the Charitable Endowments' Act, in order to give a scholarship to the student of the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute or of the High School, who attains a specified standard of proficiency in arts.

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WOMEN'S MEDICAL SERVICE.

APPOINTMENTS.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

DELHI, Dec. 23.

The following medical women have been appointed by the Central Committee of the Countess of Dufferin's fund to the Women's Medical Service for India. These appointments will date from the 1st January 1914, under the rules and regulations which have already been published.

Miss F. B. Leach, M.D., Miss M. I. Balfour, M.D., Miss A. L. Mckenzie, M.D., Miss K. A. Platt, M.B., Miss H. Lauder, M.D., Mrs. F. D. Barnes M.D., Miss A. M. Watts, L.R.C.P. and S. Miss J. E. George, L.R.C.P. and S. Miss Yamini Sen L.R.C.P. and S. Miss H. J. C. Maclaren M.B., Miss S. H. Commissariat, F.R.C.S., Miss P. T. Copeland, M.B., Miss M. V. Webb L.R.C.P. and S. Miss J. B. Engineer, L.R.C.P. and S. Miss M.A.D. Naoroji M. B., Miss M. O'Brien, M. B., Miss M. L. Batho, L.F.P. and S., Miss O. T. Leonard M. B., Miss K. M. O'Neill M.B., Miss P. B. Malabari, L.R.C.P. and S. Miss M. C. Murphy, M.B., Miss F. A. Scott L.R.C.P. and S. Miss Ma Saw Sa F. R. C. S.

Since they have been selected for the service. Miss Malabari who is now in England and Miss Engineer in Bombay have expressed their regret that they are unable to join the service.

RAJA BAZAR BOMB FACTORY CASE.

BOMBS OF SIMILAR COMPOSITION

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 23.

At the hearing of the Rajabazar Bomb Factory Case yesterday at Alipore an Inspector of the Delhi Police produced some fragments of the bomb which was thrown at the Viceroy on the occasion of the public entry. The bombs in the Rajabazar Factory were of similar composition. A Sub-Inspector of Police from Mymensingh deposed that when the recent outrage occurred at that place he was present. He found the dead body of Bunkim Chowdhury but could not say whether the present accused were implicated. Evidence was also given as to the composition of the Midnapore and Moulvi Bazar bombs and the Court then rose for the day.

ALL ORIGINATED IN THIS FACTORY.

An extraordinary dramatic incident occurred at the hearing of the Rajabazar Bomb Factory Cace before the Joint Magistrate at Alipore yesterday, when police confronted the accused with fragments of no less than four bombs, in some cases extracted from the persons wounded by them in such different localities as Delhi Mymensingh Midnapore and Maulvi Bazar, the case for the prosecution being that all these bombs including the one which the Viceroy himself was injured originated in the factory of the accused.

MOSLEM DELEGATES AT DELHI

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

DELHI, Dec. 23.

Messrs. Wazir Hussain and Mahomed Ali, Moslem delegates, returned to Delhi from Europe this evening. They were given a hearty reception by all classes of Mahomedans at the railway station and also on route to the ground in front of the Juma Musjid where both of them were profusely garlanded. Several functions are fixed for them this evening.

QUEEN AS A CADDIE.

GOLF MATCH BETWEEN PRINCE JOHN AND PRINCE OLAF.

A royal golf match was held the other day at Sandringham between Prince John, Prince Olaf of Norway. The caddies were the Queen of Norway and Princess Victoria.

Both the young Princes are keen golfers, and Prince John has gained considerable skill in the game. His instructor is the King's Pipe-Major, who also drills the little Prince every morning.

Prince Olaf has his "professional" with him also—a Norwegian soldier. The little boy is very soldier-like himself. Every morning as he leaves Appleton House with his nurse to walk over to Sandringham he salutes the policeman on the gate.

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BELCHER—At Bow Bazar Thana, 9th Dec., to the wife of S. V. Belcher, Calcutta Police a son.

BENSON—On the 12th December, at Imphal, the wife of H. Benson, State Engineer, of a daughter.

WICKS—On the 13th December, at Agra, the wife of Captain Cairns Wicks, 1st Seaforth Highlanders, of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

HUGHES—CLIFF—On Sunday, Dec. 21st, at the Church of Saint Stephen the Martyr, Bandra, by the Rev. H. Martindale, Reginald Morton Hughes of Pali Hill, to Margaret Verdin Cliff of Northwich, Cheshire.

DEATHS.

THOMPSON—8th Dec., at her residence, 28, Mott's Lane, Mrs. G. Thompson, widow of the late—Thompson, late Engineer B. I. Co., in her 67th year.

MACKINNON—On the 15th December, at Shillong, Mary Catherine Elizabeth, the dearly beloved wife of Ronald Mackinnon, E. S. N. Co., Ltd., Calcutta.

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TO-DAY.

Christmas Eve: Bank Holiday.

THURSDAY, December 25.

Christmas Day: Bank Holiday.

Mails for Seychelles, Lamu, Mombasa, Ibo, Chindi, Zanzibar, Quilimane, Mozambique, Beira and L. Marquis per steamer Palamcottah will be closed at the General Post Office at 4 p.m. Correspondence for Natal, Cape Colony and other places in South Africa will also be forwarded by this steamer.

FRIDAY, December 26.

Boxing Day: Bank Holiday.

Meeting of the Indian National Congress at Karachi.

Mails for Ceylon, Singapore, China, Japan and Australia per steamer Armand Behic will be closed at the General Post Office at 1 p.m.

DAILY.

Excelsior Cinematograph, Novelty Theatre, 7 to 8; 8-30; to 9-30; and 10 to 11-30.

America-India Cinematograph, Charni Road, 7 to 8; 8-30 to 9-30; and 10 to 11 p. m.

The Alcazar, Cinema de Luxe 6 p. m. and 10 p. m.

The Gaiety Theatre, 6-30 p. m. and 7-45 p.m.

Olympia Cinematograph, Sandhurst Road, 5-15 to 6-45; 7 to 8-30, 9 to 10-30, and 11 to 12-30 (S. T.)

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THE BOMBAY CHRONICLE.
Wednesday, Dec. 24, 1913.

A SCARE ARTICLE.

"The Times'" third pronouncement on "The Indian Peril," of which Reuter gives a fairly lengthy *resume* to-day, is nothing more or less than a scare article, and if this is the kind of stuff which the "experienced hand" has to offer to an intelligent reading public, the sooner his hand loses its cunning, the better will it be for all concerned. Beyond a mass of platitudes with which a patient public has been made familiar *ad nauseam*, not only in the columns of "The Times" itself within the past few years, but in every paper in the world that still looks to "the leading journal" for its political inspiration, there is not a line that conveys a helpful suggestion nor an idea that can stand the cold logic of facts, while the whole teems with exaggeration and imaginative apprehensions. "The Times," indeed, makes a bogey of Indian Nationalism and once again shows its singular lack of insight. How differently, as we showed the other day, Mr. Edwyn Bevan has treated the same subject in the remarkable book which we reviewed in these columns about a fortnight ago! Mr. Bevan was philosophic as well as practical; he was not under the influence of catchwords or shibboleths, while "The Times" is merely dogmatic and dictatorial. For the assertion that the numbers of "English literates" who deplore "tendencies which they plainly see,"—presumably anarchical,—do not increase while their influence is diminishing in India and is not felt in England, there is absolutely no justification, as all indications plainly point in the opposite direction. It may be affirmed without hesitation that, on the contrary, the numbers of the literati whose loyalty is based on their education and culture are rapidly growing, and their influence is not only increasing in this country but are more and more felt in the India Office itself. The writer's vague reference to efforts to capture British opinion for nationalist purposes doubtless refers to the activities of some members of the Moslem League who recently attempted to assault those citadals of bureaucracy in London which stood in the way of their communal progress, and, in one case, with surprising success. Surely "The Times" writer does not need to be told that there is nothing sinister in Indian politicians attempting to get into touch with the best British opinion, to tell the British public how certain conditions in India affect their interests, and, in fact, to visualise any problem of Indian politics or society. If, however, it does need to be told this, then its charge of the Britisher's want of knowledge of realities in India applies, we fear, with greater force to its own solemn warnings. Again, we all know that India may be described as an aristocratic country. So is Britain, but that does not prevent the British people from being the most democratic in the world. Democracy is the consequence of popular education, and its influence, which is parallel with the advancement of the people, gradually affects and ultimately permeates the whole of society. India is now passing through this stage, and it is futile to attempt to draw or lure her back into other paths, unless "The Times" can convince her that she is taking the wrong road to the goal which England herself has been pointing out to her for a century. Again, no Indian, so far as we know, has asked for a brand-new democratic government to-morrow, and "The Times'" plea that there are not "the materials to administer a democracy" is therefore childish and premature, even if it were true,' which it is not. "The Times" may rest assured that there is nothing sinister in the desire for an autonomous India. Such was the aim of Lord Macaulay when he brought Western education to the Indians; and has been the dream of a host of great statesmen in England.

LORD HARDINGE AND CALCUTTA.

Lord Hardinge received a great reception in Calcutta yesterday, in which the representatives of every community and every class vied with one another to do him honour. It would be idle, however, to deny that the feeling against Lord Hardinge among the non-official European community in Calcutta is still strong and there are many who have not yet got over the feeling of soreness at the transference of the Capital to Delhi. But there are indications that the feeling is gradually becoming less acute with the passage of time, which is certain, in our opinion, to justify Lord Hardinge's policy in the eyes of his critics. On the other hand, Lord Hardinge's popularity with the Bengalis is unbounded, for every educated Bengali knows how "he went about doing good." Suave, strong, tireless, the man who pacified Bengal is recognised by them as one of their truest friends His high courage and statesmanship, as evinced on the occasion of the fateful State-entry into Delhi and by his first public utterance after his illness, and subsequently by his solution of the Cawnpore problem, and by his recent advocacy of Indian claims in South Africa, have at least drawn all Indians to him with magnetic power, and to-day he is looked upon by the people committed to his care as "the Greatest of the Viceroys" whose policy as embodied in his memorable Despatch of August 1911 has shown a grasp of complex political issues not to be found in any State document since the Queen's Proclamation. Lord Hardinge is, indeed, the first Viceroy who has accepted the ideal of self-government as the regulating principle of the British administration in India. This is one of the reasons why some of the English papers in Calcutta condemned the Despatch as offering a false and dangerous ideal to the Indian politician. The British Press, and even responsible Ministers at Home, found it easy to repudiate the interpretation that Indians put upon Lord Hardinge's scheme of provincial autonomy, but he is blind indeed who fails to see that the first steps towards the realisation of a form of self-government have already been taken. This is the supreme value of the Despatch which, in our opinion, offers a true synthesis of the Indian political situation.

There is no need to-day to discuss the grounds of European hostility in Calcutta to Lord Hardinge or to pronounce upon its value or importance. It is sufficient to say that the commercial interests of Calcutta have not suffered in any way by the removal of the Capital,—a fact which even the Calcutta merchants must admit. It is pleasant to note, moreover, that an increasing number of them are beginning to feel that the influence of Calcutta will in the future be more marked, that she will now be able to expand and put her case more forcibly, and that, as the tendency to bigger provincial independence grows, her independence, too, must in some degree grow with it.

DAY BY DAY.

President of the Theistic Conference.

The Revd. Dr. J. T. Sunderland, M.A., who has accepted the presidentship of the All-India Theistic Conference to be held at Karachi on the 26th, 27th and 28th December, 1913, is a distinguished Unitarian preacher of America. He has held a number of important pastorates in England, the United States of America and Canada. He has for several months been engaged on a lecturing tour in various countries of the East—Japan, China, Ceylon, etc. He arrived at Calcutta on the 29th ultimo, and will leave India on the 24th January after visiting and delivering public lectures at Aligarh, Delhi, Lahore, Karachi, Baroda, Bombay, Mangalore, Calicut, Madras, Rajahmundry and Cocanada. Dr. Sunderland has come to the East as the official representative of the American Unitarian Association. He holds an appointment as the Billings Lecturer from the American Unitarian Association, which sends distinguished American divines to important cities of the world for delivering public addresses there on topics bearing on liberal religious thought. Dr. Sunderland has also been commissioned by the Association to visit India and confer with Indian Theists concerning the practicability of holding in India at an early date a World-Congress of Theists, "whose central purpose shall be to unite in conference and prayer all believers,—of whatever religious or national affiliation,—in the Divinity and Fatherhood of God and its co-relative truth, the Brotherhood of Man." Arrangements for the proposed Congress are already being made by the Rev. Charles W. Wendte, J.J., Secretary of the International Congress of Religious Liberals, whom Dr. Sunderland is assisting.

Mr. Arno Schmidt.

Mr. Arno Sshmidt, Secretary of the International Federation of Master Cotton Spinners, who is now at Nagpur, has decided to visit Burma and Ceylon next year, and he will call at Bombay on his homeward voyage. Mr. Schmidt, whose interesting paper on the possibilities of cotton cultivation in India was noticed in our editorial columns yesterday, intends to investigate the conditions of the cotton-belts of the two countries above mentioned.

Eight Years of Office.

The present month sees the completion of eight years of office by the Liberal Government; it was in December 1905, that Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman accepted the post of Prime Minister. The previous Unionist Administration lasted for over ten years; but, with this exception, "The Westminster" points out, we should have to go back to the days of Lord Liverpool a century ago to find one party in office for such a long unbroken period. Under Palmerston and Lord John Russell the Whigs were the predominant party in Parliament for about twenty years; but their periods of office were broken by quarrels which led to Lord Derby being Prime Minister on three occasions. The Whig regime from 1830 to 1841 was also broken by the short-lived Ministry of Sir Robert Peel in 1834, which Disraeli termed "the hundred days" Ministry.

The Changes of Eight Years.

Most of the important offices have seen a change of chief since the Liberal Ministry was formed in December 1905. But Sir Edward Grey and Mr. Burns still occupy the offices which they assumed eight years ago, while Mr. Birrell has been Irish Secretary for very nearly seven years. With Lord Aberdeen as Lord-Lieutenant throughout the whole period, Irish Administration has remained in the same hands for an unusually long time. The Home Office, the Colonial Office, the Board of Trade, and the Admiralty have seen two changes in their heads since the Government was formed; the War Office, the Exchequer, and the India Office only one. The number of changes in the personnel of the Ministry has not been unusual, considering their length of time in office.

Compensation for Street Accidents.

Pedestrians and owners of horse and other carriages in this city will be interested to read of a recent decision of the Calcutta Corporation awarding compensation to one of the victims of its neglect in regard to street repairs. In August last a Bengalee gentleman by name Butto Kristo Pal was driving towards Barrabazar when the horse suddenly fell into a hole in Chitpore Road and was injured. He estimated the amount of damages at Rs. 1,000 which he claimed as compensation from the Corporation. The District Engineer reported that the accident occurred on account of the sinkage due to a leak in the water main. The matter was fully considered by the Solicitor and the Deputy Chairman of the Corporation and on their advice the Chairman recommended Rs. 500 in settlement of his claim. The party has agreed to this.

S. P. C. A.

The statistics of cruelty cases prosecuted by the Agents of the Bombay S. P. C. A. during November, 1913, show that in all 538 cases involving cruelty on 627 animals were taken cognisance of. In 253 cases fines were imposed by the magistrates for cruelty to animals, and 84 other cases fines were levied for overloading. In 188 cases the animals were sent to the Bai Sakarbai D. Petit hospital for animals at Parel, after their owners had been fined and in one case no fine was levied but the animal was sent to the hospital. In twelve other cases the owners were warned and discharged. On the last day of November there were in the hospital 74 horses, 195 bullocks, 28 dogs, and 3 parrots which were treated as in-patients, while 11 horses, 114 bullocks, 38 dogs, 2 buffaloes, 1 cow, 3 goats, and 1 goose were treated as out-patients.

"The Hindustan Review."

The December number of "The Hindustan Review," just to hand, contains several notable articles, among which we have read with special interest one by Sir P. C. Chatterjee, Kt., late a Judge of the Punjab Chief Court, on "Bengal and Political Agitation", and another by Dr. A. K. Coomaraswamy on "Music of East and West". Other contributions to which attention may be directed are "A supposed incident in the Life of the Prophet" by Professor Homersham Cox and "The Enemies of England" by Dr. Satis Chandra Banerjea and some verses entitled "The Heart's Yearning", translated from the Bengali of Nabin Chandra Sen.

Delhi's Finances.

The revised budget of the Delhi Municipality shows a deficit of a lakh and a quarter, and the President, Major Beadon, in a note appeals to the Government of India for assistance. "To be quite candid," he writes, "I may state that it is only fair to the people of Delhi that Government should help them liberally to meet the obligations which the transfer of the Capital has caused: but for the change the Delhi city would have developed very gradually, and of course without a great increase in revenue the revenue accounts cannot be expected to provide sufficient for the unusual improvements which have of necessity been pressed forward and which would ordinarily have been effected gradually through loans." We trust the response of the Government will be generous. It is of interest in this connection to recall that, speaking to the Delhi Municipality about this time last year, Lord Hardinge urged the members to "make your town a model of Municipal administration."

Madras Municipal Bye-elections.

As a result of three bye-elections held last week in different divisions of the Madras Municipality, two prominent members of that body have been unseated. One is Dr. T. M. Nair, the well-known medical practitioner of Madras, who served on the Factory Commission and who was for some time a member of the Madras Legislative Council. The election was for the Triplicane Division. While Dr. Nair's rival, Mr. Sadagopa Chariar, secured 420 votes, the Doctor was able to muster only 221. The other Corporator unseated is Dr. U. Rama Rao, another medical man, who is said to have the most lucrative practice in the city. A Mahomedan gentleman was opposed to Dr. Rao and got a majority of 63 votes over his rival. Mr. G. A. Natesan, the well-known publicist and Editor of the "Indian Review," who has done so much for the cause of the South African Indians in his Presidency, was a candidate in another election, and came at the head of the poll, securing as many as 246 votes more than his next rival. The defeat of Dr. Nair seems to be much regretted, as he was one of the most energetic and respected members of the Corporation, and a suggestion has been made that the Local Government should select him as one of its nominees. One of the contributory causes of the Doctor's failure is stated to be the unpopularity gained by him by his recent advocacy of the Medical Registration Bill.

SOUTH AFRICAN CRISIS.

INDIANS' DEMANDS.

LEADERS WILL NOT COUNTENANCE VIOLENCE.

DURBAN INDIANS' UNITY.

"A COURTEOUS ULTIMATUM."

FURTHER RELEASE OF PRISONERS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

DURBAN, Dec. 22.

The Indian leaders have written a letter to the Government recapitulationg their demands. Firstly, they ask for the appointment of two new members of the Commission, preferably Sir James Rose-Innes and Senator Schreiner; secondly, the immediate release of the imprisoned passive resisters; thirdly, freedom for the leaders to visit the sugar estates and collieries for the purpose of collecting evidence. The letter points out that while the finding of the Commission, if enlarged as suggested, will be accepted as finally settling the dispute as regards the allegations of ill-treatment of strikers, the Commission's recommendations regarding the original grievances will not be accepted by the Indian community in derogation of its demands. The letter concludes by reiterating that, failing compliance with their demands, as the leaders will not countenance violence even by way of retaliation, the passive resistance movement will be resumed, and the Indians will march across the Transvaal border towards Pretoria as previously. It is expected, however, that the marches will be much more numerous, the leaders asserting that from ten to twelve thousand will take part.

ENTHUSIASTIC DEMONSTRATIONS.

PIETERMARITZBURG, Dec. 22.

Mr. Gandhi's wife and three other women passive resisters were released from gaol this morning. They were pulled through the town in carriages by enthusiastic Indians. Mr. Gandhi, on arriving from Durban, was garlanded and congratulated. In his reply, he urged the Indians to eschew luxuries as a sign of mourning. Addressing a larger meeting, afterwards, he said that the Durban Indians were more united than ever in their determination to insist upon the demands formulated at the meeting, on Sunday. The meeting endorsed the resolutions passed at the Durban meeting, and decided to prosecute the passive resistance movement unlsss the Government yielded.

A telegram from Durban states that a cousin and son of Mr. Gandhi and eight other passive resisters who were arrested for crossing the Transvaal border on September 16th, and initiating the present campaign, were released to-day

The "Cape Times" says that the requests of Mr. Gandhi and others formulated at the meeting at Durban, though reasonable, constitute a courteous ultimatum, and the journal urges Mr. Gandhi and his colleagues to hesitate before committing themselves to a course which will alienate sympathy in South Africa and oversea, and appears to aim at embarrassing the Government.

SOUTH AFRICAN PRESS COMMENTS.

DURBAN, Dec. 23.

The "Mercury" says that the Government would lose nothing in general estimation by conceding the demand for the enlargement of the Commission as suggested by the Indians, and for the liberation of passive resisters. But should Government refuse, the Indians would be wise to give evidence before the Commissioh in view of the Government of India sending Sir Benjamin Robertson.

A meeting of the Indian women at Johannesburg passed a resolution requesting the Government to accede to Indian demands, and urging the leaders to preservere to the bitter end.

MR. GANDHI ON LETTER FORM OF ULTIMATUM.

In an interview with Reuter's representative regarding the article in the "Cape Times," Mr. Gandhi said nothing was further from his wish than to give his letter the form of an ultimatum. He had not the slightest wish to embarrass the Government.

LONDON MEETING URGES GREATER REPRESENTATION.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

At a meeting of the Indians in London, presided over by Sir Mancherjee Bhownagree, a resolution was passed urging the Imperial Government to secure the appointment of representatives of India and of the Imperial Government on the Commission in South Africa.

"INDIAN PERIL."

"TIMES" THIRD AND FOURTH ARTICLES.

GROWTH OF NATIONALISM.

MOSLEM EXTREMISTS' POWER.

LESS POLITICS MORE ECONOMICS.

IS DEMOCRACY POSSIBLE?

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.

The third articles in "The Times" on "Indian Peril" deals with nationalism, emphasising the part played by Western education in the creation of nationlism. The article admits that among 1,670,000 "English Literates" in India are men of whom any country might be proud, who deplore tendencies which they plainly see, but their numbers do not increase and their influence is diminishing in India and is not felt in England where determined efforts are being made to capture opinion for nationalist purposes.

LACK OF KNOWLEDGE.

The article declares it is difficult to find a trace of the real democratic spirit among the "Literati," who are not representatives of India, which remains an essentially aristocratic country in a sense of which the Britishers at home and in the dominions have long lost knowledge. Some of our mistakes in India, the article declares, have been due to this lack of knowledge. Were we to abdicate in favour of the nationalists, there would not be the materials to administer a democracy. The success of the present political movement would entail an attempt to govern by the narrowest of oligarchies which, external aggression apart, would instantly crumble to pieces and violate every principle cherished by the politicians at home who support disaffection.

SOUTH AFRICAN GRIEVANCE.

GREATER SOURCE OF DANGER.

The article mentions the Tripoli and Balkan wars which, it says, assisted the nationalist movement, raising the Moslem extremists to power in the counsels of the community. The South African grievances, it continues, are an even greater source of danger. The fact that Britishers in South Africa support the reasonable demands of the Indians, that Englishmen freely subscribe to funds for the sufferers, that the three pounds tax is doomed, etcetera, cannot be made clear, and irremediable harm has already been done. Moreover party strife, at home, the Ulster situation, violent strikes and the suffragette movement can be exploited for propagandist purposes.

STRONG FIGHTING INSTINCTS.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

"The Times" in a fourth and last article on "Indian Peril," discusses the duty and policy of Government in the present situation. It describes the check to the progress of social reforms owing to the diversion of energy and funds from the cause of the real peoples of India and resulting in general lawlessness. The journal remarks "How many rising storms have been quieted by the tact and soothing influence of British officials is not guessed in England." Referring to the recent bank failures "The Times" expresses fear that some ignorant victims may throw the blame on Government and exhorts the conscientious democrat at Home to reflect upon the tumultuous forces latent in 295 millions, wholly uneducated and inheriting partly strong fighting instincts; the welfare of 295 millions, not the momentary gratification of a handful of literates, must be the first duty of Government.

If they succeeded in alienating the masses India would become ungovernable and it is certain that any visible weakening of the British Government of India would involve wholesale alienation.

"UNITE TO GOVERN."

Our Government must concern itself less with politics and more with economics, must unite conflicting elements and, reversing the Latin adage "unite to govern," must unflinchingly enforce laws and order, realising that misplaced leniency may be cruel in the long run. There are now native states showing a higher standard of security than some British districts. Higher branches of education must be improved, technical education must be built up and the preposterous misuse of English Literature must be eliminated. The judicial system urgently needs overhauling.

The article emphasises the loyalty engrained in the peoples of India and advises Government frankly to explain its objects and firmly to administer the press laws. It also advises politicians and publicists at Home to take reasonable care to ascertain the truth. The great question is, says "The Times," can democracy govern the vast eastern Empire? The ruin or progress of India depends on the answer which must be forthcoming in a few years.

"The Times" in a leader says, all the facts of the case go to show that there is among the whites in South Africa a genuine desire to compose Indian grievances, but it is probably not an overstatement to say, that Mr. Gandhi's ultimatum makes it most difficult for any self-respecting government to treat his demands as a basis of negotiation.

RUN ON MEXICAN BANKS.

PRESIDENT PRESCRIBES NOVEL ANTIDOTE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

MEXICO, CITY, Dec. 24.

In order to check the run on banks the President has decreed a bank holiday until the end of the year. The principal banks, however, have resolved not to act thereupon.

AMERICAN CURRENCY BILL.

PASSED BY HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.

The House of Representatives has passed the Currency Bill. The Senate will probably adopt it to-day.

RAILWAY-GAS EXPLOSION.

SEVEN TRAIN MEN INJURED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

ROSTOCK, Dec. 24.

Seven train men were injured by an explosion of gas, here, to-day. The Russian Imperial train was waiting to convey the Dowager Empress to St. Petersburg.

DISASTROUS FIRE FOLLOWS EXPLOSION.

700,000 DOLLARS DAMAGE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

GEORGETOWN, (British Guiana), Dec. 24.

An explosion followed by an outbreak of fire destroyed six blocks of buildings to-day, doing damage to the extent of 700,000 dollars. Eight thousand tons of sugar were destroyed.

AEGEAN ISLES AND ALBANIA.

GREECE STILL IN THE DARK.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

Reuter learns that Greece is still officially unaware of the British proposals regarding Albania and the Aegean islands. It is pointed out in Greek quarters that the proposed Southern boundary gives Albania 140,000 Greeks out of total of 220,000.

BULGARIAN POLITICAL FERMENT.

AGRARIANS NOT IN ACCORD WITH GOVERNMENT.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

SOFIA, Dec. 24.

There is at present considerable political ferment, due to the failure of a strong section of Agrarians to reach agreement with Government. Hitherto there have been no disturbances. The Chamber meets at the beginning of January.

FRANCE'S EX-PREMIER ATTACKS GOVERNMENT.

PROGRESS AND SOCIAL REFORM.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

PARIS, Dec. 24.

M. Briand, the ex-Premier, in a slashing attack against the present Government, declared, that the three years' service which Government at first wanted to upset, and then had to swallow, had put France in her proper place.

France, peaceful and serene, could look straight ahead, conscious of her strength and knowing that nobody could impair her dignity. M. Briand maintained that the policy of his section of the Republicans was a policy of progress and social reform.

RECORD BALLOON FLIGHT.

1,740 MILES IN 87 HOURS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

BERLIN, Dec. 24.

The German balloon which ascended at Bitterfeld descended at Perm in East Russia, having travelled a distance of 1,740 miles in 87 hours. This is generally accepted as a record.

LORD HARDINGE AT CALCUTTA.

A MAGNIFICENT RECEPTION.

REPLY TO MUNICIPAL ADDRESS.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 23.

Lord Hardinge arrived in Calcutta punctually to-day and had a magnificent reception, the troops and police lining the routes and the procession, included a Battery of Artillery besides the Calcutta Light Horse. The arrangements were much the same as in the case of the Royal reception two years ago, the Governor and Lady Carmichael meeting Their Excellencies at Prinsep's Ghat and accompanying them to the Government House where there was a large gathering of officials, foreign representatives, and leading Indians and Europeans upon the steps. Being the middle of the day the crowd outside was small but the Volunteers and Cadets turned out in fair numbers. In the Old Court House Street the footpaths were kept almost completely clear of people but there were a considerable number on the verandahs of the houses. Their Excellencies arrived at the Government House at 12-25 and after inspecting the troops and escort the formalities of public arrival took place, H. E. the Governor presenting the Chief Justice, the Bishop, the Members of the Executive Council. The Chief Justice presented the Judges and the Advocate-General. Among those present to meet the Viceroy were the Maharajas of Cooch Bihar, Durbhanga and Burdwan.

HIS EXCELLENCY'S SPEECH.

In reply to the address presented by the Calcutta Corporation the Viceroy said:—

"Gentlemen, I am afraid that I am regarded in the light of a deserter from Calcutta and I therefore value the more highly the compliment you have paid me in presenting me with this address of welcome. I am most grateful and indeed deeply touched by your appreciative references to the spirit in which the administration of India is carried out by my Government and should like to thank you very warmly for the friendly language in which your address is couched. My wife and I have very pleasant recollections of two cold weathers spent within these walls and I certainly think that future Viceroys should make a point of maintaining a close connection with your city, while speaking for myself I hope that this may not be the last occasion when I may pay you a visit. It is exactly a year ago to-day that I was temporarily disabled by the attempt upon my life and I can only thank God for sparing it and hope that it may not have been spared in vain.

As the months roll by the quantity of work to be done seeks ever to increase, and the burden of responsibility to grow greater, and my prayer is not so much that I may be able to work, as that, in the renewed health and strength that have been vouchsafed to me, the work that I shall do may be rightly guided in useful and fruitful channels."

After commenting on various municipal questions, His Excellency went on to say:—

BANKING CRISIS.

"Gentlemen, you represent all sections of the community and as I may not have another opportunity, I am going to trespass upon your patience by saying one or two things which do not bear a purely Municipal aspect. I want to take this opportunity of congratulating Calcutta upon the prominent part which she has played in this year's finance as shown at the outset by her taking up the entire rupee loan, and, later, in the handling of the banking crisis the wise and public spirited attitude which the Bank of Bengal has adopted in this anxious period has, I am pleased to see been generally recognised and appreciated and I may congratulate Calcutta itself on the steadiness and absence of panic which has been shown throughout. It is a welcome testimony to the underlying soundness of your commercial finance. The institution which it is the custom to describe as a State Bank has not yet been brought into being and I do not venture to hazard an opinion as to whether it ever will, but that does not say that Government maintain an attitude of entire aloofness on occasions like the present. We have in fact been working in close touch with the Bank of Bengal throughout and as you know, have placed the Bank in possession, free of interest, of an unusually large supply of funds in order to enable it to assist within legitimate limits such banks as require and can reasonably claim its aid. We are also prepared, if the necessity arises, temporarily to provide the Bank with further funds on the loan terms recently approved by the Secretary of State and publicly announced, and these terms, I may remark, will leave the Bank free to place at the disposal of trade the whole of any such special addition to its resources during the period for which any such loan is current. I have heard it said that since the Government of India left Calcutta they have ceased to care for its interests and I venture to think that the attitude we have adopted during this banking crisis is evidence to the contrary.

RAILWAY ADMINISTRATION.

I should like to call the Railway Administration as another witness for the defence. For the present year Calcutta railways have been provided with as much capital as they can conveniently spend. For next year 1914-15, in the programme which has been submitted to the Secretary of State, we have provided for expenditure on open line works and rolling stock for the railways centering in Calcutta, the very large sum of seven and a quarter crores of rupees out of a total of eighteen crores. This, gentlemen, is more than one-third of the whole of the funds available in the programme for 1914-15 for all the railways in India, and is proportionately a larger sum than has ever before been allotted to the railway centering in Calcutta. The justification for this large sum being spent next year and further sums in ensuing years, rests mainly on the confidence that I and the Government of India have in the commercial ability and enterprise of the leading firms in Calcutta. Recognising the difficulties that have had to be contended with in regard to railway transport during the last year we feel sure that the fullest advantage will be taken of the improved railway facilities which are being provided at a heavy cost to develop trade and that the increased railway receipts consequent thereon will fully justify the expenditure. But this is not all. To the figure I have just given must be added a further sum of some 60 lakhs we are providing for the Lower Ganges Bridge, a work which will be completed in 1915 and which has been in active progress for the last three years, and which alone will cost Government when complete 4½ crores of rupees. In urging that Government should find the funds to construct this bridge the commercial community of Calcutta took a very leading part and as it is now certain that the opening of this bridge will lead to a very large development of trade, I would like to congratulate the commercial community of Calcutta on their foresight in so strongly urging that it should be built. But I have still some more to say about what is being done to develop Calcutta trade.

The Burdwan Hawrah Chord has been sanctioned and 40 lakhs have been allotted for expenditure on it next year in addition to the funds provided for this year, the work having already been begun on it. The surveys have been practically completed for an extension on the Bengal-Nagpur Railway from Bishempur to Howrah and designs drawn out for a new bridge across the Hooghly near Bally, the site for which has been finally settled with the consent of your Port Commissioners and I do not anticipate there will be much delay before the building of the bridge is put in hand.

In the matter of railway construction by private enterprise Calcutta's claims to consideration have been willingly acknowledged. One of your leading firms has recently jointly floated the Sara Sarajgunj Railway, under a concession given by the Government of India and another concession for a line from Burdwan to Cutwa has also been granted to another firm associated wtih whom I am glad to say has been an Indian gentleman of marked ability and sound knowledge of railway work.

TRADE DEVELOPMENT.

I claim gentlemen that the facts I have just stated show without doubt that the change of capital has not affected the interests of Calcutta in any way. In regard to the assistance, Government is able to give willingly towards the development of the trade of the Port. While Government is making such large efforts to develop your trade, I am glad to know that steps are being taken to enable this future trade to be dealt with at your docks and other terminal arrangements. You are about to tackle this very difficult question and I think I can fairly claim that the Government of India have gone out of their way to be helpful in lending you the services of Sir Henry Burt, for to tell you the truth, he is a difficult man to spare and it was only after considerable hesitation and in special consideration for your difficulties and problems that I agreed to lend you his services at our temporary expense. I feel sure that by the help of the outside advice which you have now secured, coupled with the sound commonsense and business aptitude of the commercial men of Calcutta, a satisfactory solution will be found to remove existing difficulties and you can rely on the Government of India assisting, as far as it reasonably can in helping towards this solution. As regards other projects or schemes of development connected with Calcutta that may in the future come before me and the Government of India, I can assure the members of the Corporation that they will be considered in no narrow spirit but broadly upon their merits and in co-ordination with the requirements of other parts of India.

Before concluding let me say how deeply touched Lady Hardinge and I were by your friendly thought of making a gift to her on this occasion and how grateful we both are for your acceptance of her wishes in connection with it and for your generous donation to the Dufferin Zenana Hospital. There are no institutions in which she takes a deeper interest than those of which the object is to help and alleviate the sufferings of her own sex. I thank you again very warmly for your kindly welcome and good wishes towards Lady Hardinge and myself."

"INFAMOUS LEASEHOLD SYSTEM."

MR. LLOYD GEORGE CONTRASTS PARSONS AND LABOURERS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 23.

In the course of a speech at Pwllheli, Mr. Lloyd George, speaking in Welsh, said that Government intended to grant to farmers, in districts where labourers' wages were compulsorily raised, facilities for obtaining a reduction in rents and a temporary reduction would likewise be obtainable in times of depression.

The days of the infamous leasehold system were numbered. He wished to deal fairly all round, but if agricultural economy was necessary to keep people to the land, it would be better to economise in parsons than labourers.

FRENCH ARMY OFFICERS' PAY RAISED.

CIVILIANS' INCREASE FORESHADOWED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

PARIS, Dec. 23.

The Chamber has passed the Bill increasing the pay of army officers and N. C. O.'s. M. Caillaux, replying to questions, foreshadowed an increase of the salaries of civil officials.

GERMAN DOMESTIC TRAGEDY.

MAID'S EVIDENCE.

"FIRED IN UNCONTROLLABLE FURY."

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

POSEN, Dec. 22.

At a judicial enquiry into the Nielczynskis tragedy, the Countess' maid testified that the nephew was spending the evening at the Castle. He drank a quantity of wine and wanted to borrow money from his uncle or aunt. After the Countess had retired the nephew came to her room, in spite of the Countess' urgent entreaty not to do so. He was afterwards returning to his own room when the husband arrived and the tragedy occurred.

In his evidence, the Count insisted that he was searching for burglars and found the two together in the bedroom. He fired in an uncontrollable fury.

GERMAN NAVAL AND POLITICAL EXPANSION.

PRINCE BUELOW ON BRITISH ATTITUDE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

BERLIN, Dec. 23.

Prince Buelow, in an interesting essay which he has contributed to a book entitled "Germany under William II," attributes the British attitude towards German naval and political expansion to the traditional British policy of opposing the strongest Continental Power. Prince Buelow maintains that this attitude is unjustifiable in the case of Germany, since her aims are fundamentally different from those animating Britain's rivals in past ages.

RELATIONS DURING BOER WAR.

He declares frankly that it would have been a mistake for Germany to join the anti-British coalition on the Continent at the time of the Boer war, although public opinion would have favoured it.

Referring to Mr. Chamberlain's overtures for an alliance at the opening of the Boer war, Prince Buelow says that an absolutely binding engagement would have been necessary, and that would have brought Germany into antagonism with Russia.

LEEDS STRIKE.

HOPE OF SETTLEMENT SHATTERED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 23.

Hopes of a settlement at Leeds have been shattered by a meeting of the strikers last night, at which a resolution was passed to continue the struggle.

SIR LIONEL PHILLIPS.

SECOND BULLET REMOVED FROM LIVER.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

JOHANNESBURG, Dec. 22.

The second bullet, which had lodged in Sir Lionel Phillips' liver, was removed to-day. The patient is doing as well as can be expected.

STEAMER AGROUND.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.

A Lloyds' message from Perim states that the steamer City of Agra is ashore at Ras-al-Ara. The steamer Meyun is going to her assistance.

Information was received yesterday morning in Bombay that the S. S. City of Agra, of the City and Hall Line Steamer Company, of which Messrs. Killick, Nixon and Company are the agents, has been stranded since Monday at a place called Rasalara near Perim. She was bound for the homeward voyage and her first port was to be Marseilles. She started a few days ago from the Madras Coast after loading a cargo of manganese ore, groundnuts and pernels.

The local firm has no intimation as to the cause of her stranding but they are informed that the Perim Coal Company's steamer Meyun has gone to her assistance.

She carried no passengers and was under the command of Captain Buck with a crew of about seventy people, which includes about a dozen Europeans.

The S. S. City of Agra was built in 1903 and her gross tonnage is 4808 and her dead weight 7753 tons.

EGYPTIAN LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SWEEPING VICTORY FOR GOVERNMENT.

CAIRO, Dec. 23.

The first elections to the new Legislative Assembly have resulted in a sweeping victory for the Government. Less than twenty Opposition candidates were successful out of a total of 66 elected, plus the members nominated by Government.

LONDON LETTER.

FINANCE & COMMERCE.

STRAIN ON STOCK EXCHANGE NERVES.

SPECIE BANK FAILURE.

EFFECT ON THE SILVER MARKET.

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, Dec. 5.

Our Stock Exchange has had a considerable strain on its nerves during the past week. Of the Specie Bank trouble you know more than we do over here; while as regards the effect on the Silver Market in London I shall have more to say further on in this letter. In the meanwhile Paris,—which as I have often pointed out of late, has seldom exercised greater influence on the bourses and money markets of the world than just now,—has been completely upset by the failure of the French Government to get its fifty-two million loan through. As a matter of fact the Bill for the loan has been agreed to in principle, but the trouble with the Chamber is over one or two clauses. Be this as it may, the important fact is that the Ministry has fallen over the question and there are many reasons why a political crisis in France just now should be especially unwelcome to the business centres of the world. There has been no improvement in the Mexican position, while such descriptions as Home Rails have had to face signs of further unrest in England. Taking all these facts into consideration there is every reason that we should congratulate ourselves on the fact that the level of prices in London has been fairly even, even if markets have been idle.

The most uncomfortable feature of the week's business has been a further low record in the price of Consols. This may be accounted for by an unexpected call on the money market in the way of a Canadian loan issued with none of the preliminary warning that members have been taught to these times. Consols were sold to meet the situation and it takes very little selling of our premier security to knock down the price, nowadays. Home Rails were a fairly firm market during the earlier part of the week; but the comparative strength was artificial, having been due to "bear" coverings. When these had been completed, the effects of labour unrest on the Welsh portion of the Great Western became marked, and there has been a break away in prices. Out of evil good may come, and the attitude of these employees has revealed anything but a sympathetic tendency to them on the part of the responsible leaders. American railway shares have been idle, but with a fairly sound undertone under the influence of Wall Street.

There have been attempts on the part of "bearish" minded persons to throw doubts on the soundness of the economic position of Canada, but reports of the kind are always quickly followed by reassuring statements by responsible persons. The other day the President of the Bank of Montreal, the last man in the world to talk "through his hat," as we say in London, insisted that there are at present no signs of trade depression in our old Colony. Canadian Pacific shares have not been free from the brigade who make it their business to spread adverse reports, and rumours were abroad that a wholesale reduction of freight charges had been recommended. But any effect the story had was of short duration. The Trunk Company showed poor returns for November, which were not calculated to cheer the market in these issues. Among foreign railway stocks Mexicans were wonderfully firm, despite the *status quo* that exists in that much disturbed country. As for the other sections of the Stock Markets, beyond a little business in oil shares, stagnation has been the rule. Prices have however, on the whole, been fairly well maintained. Violent fluctuations in the price of the metal have had anything but a steadying effect on copper shares.

THE SPECIE BANK FAILURE.

It was Monday morning when the news of the India Specie Bank trouble was first known to the average man in the City. Even then the only lay morning paper that had anything like adequate information on the subject was the "Daily Telegraph." Early in the day there was a mark drop in the price of silver, which had closed on Saturday night at about 26½d. per ounce for business "on the spot" and at 26 11/16d. per ounce for two months forward. During the early hours of the day there was a break to the extent of half an ounce in each case, while when the market closed the position was uncertain. Although selling came from both your country and Canada it was not on a big scale and the market was suffering more from nerves than anything else. There has since been a distinct improvement and "bear" operaters have "run to cover." Last night the price of bars had advanced to 26 11/16d. per ounce for "spot" and 26 13/16d. per ounce for forward delivery. On enquiring at the offices of Samuel Montagu and Company yesterday I was told that negotitions have been completed for the acquisition of the entire unrealised stock of the India Specie Bank both in actual silver and in the form of contracts for forward delivery, by a powerful London syndicate. There is no doubt that this news has almost completely calmed the nerves of the Market. It hust be remembered that the silver interests in London represent but a limited portion of the City, and that little was known outside that group of he Indian Specie Bank.

THE HISTORY OF SILVER.

The excitement in the Silver Market has prompted a writer in the "Pall Mall Gazette" to give an interesting article on how the white metal came into use. As a matter of fact the writer scarcely answers the primary object of his article, but assumes that woman, who is supposed to be at the bottom of most trouble, was the first to use silver as an ornament.

From about the year A. D. 1550, the earliest period concerning which anything like reliable figures are recorded, the annual production of silver ranged for the next two hundred years between ten and seventeen million ounces. During the following sixty years it rose to twenty-eight millions, round about which figure it stood fifty years later, though there was a considerable falling off between 1820 and 1850. From the year 1860 the increase was steady and persistent. The round figures are given below:—

Period.	Yearly Average.
1556-1860	29,000,000
1861-1865	35,000,000
1866-1870	45,000,000
1871-1875	63,000,000
1876-1880	78,000,000
1881-1885	92,000,000
1886-1890	108,000,000
1891-1895	157,000,000
1896-1900	165,000,000
1901-1905	167,000,000
1906-1910	196,000,000

The proportion in which the yearly production is divided between the requirements of money and industry is extremely difficult to ascertain with accuracy.

The industrial consumption of silver is estimated by the Director of the United States Mint as about 145,000,000oz. per annum. If we take the present output as 230,000,000oz., there remains about 85,000,000oz. available for supplementing the world's money. Estimating about 60,000,000oz. to be the minimum required annually for this purpose, it can be readily seen that any abnormal or accumulated demand in any one year may have a marked effect upon the price, since only about 25,000,000 are, as it were, not ear-marked.

THE RUBBER MARKET.

The position of the Rubber Market both as regards shares and the material is so bad just now that a few lines on the subject scarcely require an apology.

The home or rubber, "not to go back into the earlier origin of the industry," is Brazil, where the tropical and sub-tropical districts that have been left alone for centuries to work their own way according to the essential laws of nature, and uncursed by the greed of Far Eastern planters, and Far Western company, mongers, still produce the very finest of most useful rubber. What the market thinks of it, both commercially and financially, is reflected in the quotation for Brazilian rubber, *viz.*, what is commercially known as a respectable fraction over 3s., whereas the ordinary plantation rubber is quoted at something like 2s. 4d., after 1s. 7½d., recent highest, and 1s. 7½d. recent lowest. Brazil has vast rubber forests, the State of Amazonas alone could, if exploited, become the most formidable competitor of any State rubber region in the world. The big danger to which the Rubber Market is exposed at present, is that Brazil as a federated country, is short of money. It has been suggested that a big rubber exploitation campaign should be initiated in order to replenish the national exchequer. How much this is necessary is evidenced by the fact that the latest Brazil 5½ loan is still at something like 6½ discount, and has been as much as 8 per cent. discount.

Fortunately, whatever, may be said against the Brazil Government it has in its financial department sufficient balance to show that there is no use in cutting off one's nose in order to gain a barren victory over the face. In years gone by the same question arose over the Coffee Plantations; and then the financial genius of the country evolved the remarkable process called the "valarigation scheme," severely criticised at the time, but apparently working out in proper sequence now. Rather than replenish their resources by the undue exportation of raw rubber, the Government, I understand, has made satisfactoy, if operous, financial arrangements.

AMERICAN COTTON CROP.

From a Lancashire correspondent I hear better news regarding the prospects of the American cotton crop for this season. From across the Atlantic come larger estimates of yield, and my correspondent encloses a reference to an improved forecast by Mr. J. W. Soady, a representative of the well-known firm of Messrs. Neill Brothers in the States, the improvement being from 13,850,000 bales to 14,310,000 bales. The ginnings reports published at the end of last week shewed that 10,43,400 bales had been ginned up to the middle of November, as compared with 10,300,000 bales ginned for the same period last year. At the same time there is little contradiction to the general complaints that the quality of the American cotton is not up to the usual standard; the quantity however, will undoubtedly be better than was anticipated a short while ago.

A NEW COMMERCIAL JOURNAL.

I should like to draw the attention of your readers to the "International Review of Commerce and Industry" of which I have received a copy of the first issue. It is a new monthly edited by Mr. J. Swinborne Sheldrake and published by L. Upcott Gill and Son, Limited, at the price of 2s. The object of the founders "is to publish a first-class monthly review dealing with international commerce and industry in the same way that other high-class monthly reviews deal with politics, literature, social and religious questions, etc.," An interesting and valuable feature is the "Notes of Commercial Conditions," in which the varying conditions of finance, trade and commerce in all the principal countries of the world are dealt with monthly. Mr. William Tattersall deals in the first number with 'Raw Cotton Supplies and their effect upon the Lancashire Industry." The first number is instructive sound and interesting, and the want of such a journal published in London has long been felt. It is important that the knowledge of its publication should be spread throughout the English speaking world

INDIAN SPECIE BANK.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

GENERAL COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION.

The Committee appointed at the meeting of shareholders and depositors of the Indian Specie Bank held on the 11th instant, has recommended the names of the following four gentlemen to serve on the Advisory Committee to be appointed by the Chamber Judge to guide the liquidator in the winding up proceedings, more particularly in disposing of the securities of the Bank such as pearls and shares and in advising the liquidator in the matter of recovering outstandings:—

The Hon. Mr. Lalubhai Samaldas (merchant.)

Mr. Narottam Morarji Goculdass (merchant.)

Mr H. P. Stringfellow (Manager, Bank of India.)

Mr. W. M. Anderson (Manager, Eastern Bank.)

These names will be submitted to the attorneys of the petitioner and the other parties that had appeared before Mr. Justice Davar on the last occasion and after they are agreed upon by all the parties, an application will be made to the Chamber Judge, who hears these Bank matters, for the appointment of the gentlemen whose names the parties argee upon on the Advisory Committee.

The work of winding up the Bank is progressing in a very satisfactory manner, Mr. J. Saunder Slater, the Official Liquidator, has appointed Mr. Bhaishankar Nanabhoy, solicitor, who recently retired from the firm of Bhaishankar, Kanga and Girdharlal, as his agent and the latter is making a very close investigation of the affairs of the Bank.

AMRITSAR BANK'S LIQUIDATION.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

(Associated Press.)

LAHORE, Dec. 23.

Pending the appointment of an official liquidator for the Amritsar Bank, the District Judge, Lahore, had ordered the accounts of the Bank to be audited by Messrs. Ferguson and Company of Bombay who have just submitted their report. The auditors say:—"We are of opinion that the advances made to Harkishen Lall and the companies with which he was connected were far too large, amounting on the 30th September last to rupees sixteen lakhs, eighty-one thousand and further it is evident that the Bank has not been recovering interest on a large number of its loans, both great and small, with a result that they now considerably exceed the amount of the original promissory notes signed by the borrowers.

With regard to the question of the extent to which the Bank's advances are likely to prove recoverable, it is self-evident that everything depends on the ultimate position of the large advances to Harkishen Lall and the companies with which he is connected, most of which seem to be in any but prosperous circumstances. The position in connection with these advances, is so uncertain, that we do not feel justified in indulging in an estimate which may subsequently prove very wide of the mark. With regard to the remaining advances, we think, so far as it is possible to form an opinion on the information at our disposal, that realisation ought to be effected with a loss ranging from twenty to forty per cent of the total amount advanced."

BANK OF ASIA.

APPLICATION FOR COMPULSORY WINDING UP.

(Associated Press.)

LAHORE, Dec. 23.

Certain shareholders of the Bank of Asia Limited, Lahore, have submitted an application before the District Judge for the compulsory winding-up of the Bank and the appointment of a provisional Liquidator. The Judge has passed an order calling on the directors of the Bank to appear on the 2nd January.

The Bank of Asia was registered last year with an authorised capital of twenty-five lakhs, of which more than five lakhs have been subscribed and only thirty-six thousand paid-up.

ANOTHER BANK FAILURE.

(Associated Press.)

LAHORE, Dec. 23.

The Royal Bank of India of Bannu Province, which has just stopped payment had for its Managing Director, Malik Lila Ram, younger brother of Malik Girdhirlal, brother-in-law of Harkishenlal and a director of the Amritsar Bank.

DAILY MORTALITY RETURNS.

One attack and one death from small-pox were reported in Bombay city during the 24 hours ended at 6 a.m. on Tuesday. The total mortality from all causes was 88 as compared with 84 of the corresponding period of 1912 and 100 of 1911. Out of a total of 1,654 rats caught by the Municipal rat-catchers on Monday last, 26 were found to be plague infected.

FRONTIER TROUBLE.

RAILWAY STATION RAIDED.

ASSTT. STATION MASTER CARRIED OFF.

(Associated Press.)

RAWALPINDI, Dec. 23.

Another raid took place at Khairabad railway station which is 4½ miles south of Jahangira. The raiders, probably Afridis, attacked the station at 10 p.m. on the 22nd carrying off the Assistant Station Master and about Rs. 25 in Government cash. The Police and Military left the Peshawar Cantonment by 2 Down Mail last night for the scene of the raid.

JEHANGIRA RAID.

RAILWAY D. T. S.'s REPORT.

(Associated Press.)

LAHORE, Dec. 23.

The official report of the raid at Jehangira Road Station, issued by the District Traffic Superintendent, Rawalpindi, says, that the gang consisted of about thirty trans-border raiders, armed with Martini Henry Rifles. The object of the raid was the robbery of the cash takings of the Nowshera Dargai Railway, but owing to the derailment of a goods train on that line, the cash was delayed and not sent by the mail. After ransacking the brake-van the raiders disappeared into the surrounding hills. Police and military parties are scouring the country in hope of interrupting the raiders. No injury occurred to passengers.

The Deputy Commissioner, Peshawar, telegraphed yesterday to Delhi from Jehangira Road, that tracks leading into the hills south of the station are being followed by police, villagers and troops.

The "Civil and Military Gazette" learns that immediately on receipt of news of the outrage on Sunday, two hundred troops, British and Indian, mounted and on foot, were sent out from Nowshera to try and head off the "budmashes."

Jehangira Road is a small wayside station the staff of which consists only of a station-master and a few menials.

FUND FOR VICTIMS' FAMILIES.

(Associated Press.)

DELHI, Dec. 23.

The Hon'ble Mr. Abbott, has opened a subscription list for the families of the Anglo-Indian railway servants killed in the Jehangira railway outrage. He has subscribed Rs. 1,000 to the fund. Remittances are payable to the Alliance Bank Lahore.

CONGRESS ARRANGEMENTS COMPLETED.

ARRIVAL OF DELEGATES.

(Associated Press.)

KARACHI, Dec. 23.

The arrangements for the Congress have all been completed. Delegates have commenced arriving and are being lodged in well-furnished pucca buildings. Catering arrangements are completed. The president, accompanied by distinguished delegates, will arrive by steamer early to-morrow morning, and will be taken in procession. Hundreds of volunteers will accompany the procession.

BLOOMSBURY ESTATE.

FURTHER SALE BY DUKE OF BEDFORD.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.

It is stated that the Duke of Bedford has also sold parts of his Bloomsbury estate for £300,000.

DAMAGE BY BUSH FIRES.

HUNDREDS RENDERED HOMELESS.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

MELBOURNE, Dec. 23.

Two hundred houses and camps have been destroyed by bush fires. Hundreds of persons are homeless.

LATE EMPEROR MENELIK.

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.

A telegram from Adis Abeba says that the death of Emperor Menelik is officially announced there.

LATE MR. ARTHUR CHAMBERLAIN.

ESTATE WORTH £143,000.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 23.

The late Mr. Arthur Chamberlain, Chairman of Kynochs, left £143,000.

INDIAN COTTON.

SUGGESTED REFORMS IN CULTIVATION.

AN INTERVIEW WITH MR. ARNO SCHMIDT.

(From our Correspondent.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 22.

Mr. Arno Schmidt, Secretary of the International Cotton Federation, is paying his third visit to India with the object of investigating the possibilities of extending and improving the cotton crop of India. I had an interview with him on Saturday, before he left for Nagpore. Having explained the danger that exists, that the world's demand for cotton may at any moment greatly exceed the supply, Mr. Schmidt reiterated the opinion already expressed by himself and by other experts, that India alone is the country that can come to the immediate rescue of the cotton industry in its present perilous position. At one time the hope was entertained that Africa would solve the problem, but after about eight or ten years' work in that continent it has been proved beyond doubt that in consequence of the difficulty in imparting to the people the requisite training, the scarcity of population, the absence of proper transport facilities, the necessarily slow work of scientific research, and because of the disinclination of the people to work longer than is necessary to keep their few wants satisfied, development in that quarter of the globe must of necessity be slow. "I do not wish" said Mr. Schmidt "to depreciate the efforts made by the various colonial cotton-growing associations; their work is excellent and will undoubtedly be of benefit to the cotton industry in twenty years or so. But I do not think that we can over-estimate the importance of the Indian Empire as a cotton-producing country."

Mr. Schmidt expressed his gratification at the earnest manner in which the question of enhanced acreage and improved crops had been taken up by the Government; he did not think, however, that sufficient scope, financially and otherwise, was given to the Department of Agriculture in this country. Comparing this institution with the Department of Agriculture in the United States he asserted that in 1901 $3,303,500 were spent, and by 1906. the figure had been increased to $7,112,690, or almost one and a half million sterling. "Frankly speaking the cotton spinners hold the opinion that the Government of India are not spending one-tenth part on the Department of Agriculture of the sum that the situation requires. The United States of America and other countries recognise that agriculture has become a science and that a large energetic staff is a sound investment. If one considers that 90 per cent. of the people live on agriculture, and only one per cent. of the land revenue is spent annually for the improvement of the conditions which lead to a more profitable system of agriculture, it must be patent to everybody that a very substantial additional grant will have to be made in the near future if India is to take the vastly important position, which is her due, as a cotton-producing country. From what I can see so far the Agricultural Department of the provinces which I have visited stand in urgent need of additional assistance, for the purpose of carrying on work in localities which owing to the enormous area, have so far not been touched. Experimental farms in those districts are a primary necessity and for both these objects funds are required. Hardly any extensive work is undertaken in India to stop the ravages of the boll-worm. In Egypt at the commencement of a season a whole army of officials is sent out to every village and sees that each cultivator has his field carefully picked. If a cultivator fails to do this, he is fined and the penalty consists in his having to pick the worms from his neighbours' field."

Reverting to his previous argument as to the inadequacy of the Agricultural Department Mr. Schmidt admitted that the experts of that institution had, to a large extent, been responsible for the increased cotton crop in this country, which will mean an additional income to India this year of £16,000,000.

"As an example of the remunerative investment which the Government has made in the employment of the deputy directors, I may state," said Mr. Schmidt, "that in the United Provinces a cotton variety has been introduced which yields on an average Rs. 15 per acre more than the cotton hitherto cultivated, and of this variety 80,000 acres will be sown next year, which means that an additional Rs. 1,200,000 will come into the hands of the cultivators. Similar cases of increased incomes to the zamindars in Sindh and the Punjab have quite recently come to my knowledge. The case of Cambodia cotton in Madras is another striking example of this productive investment. The spinners of the world are recognising these services, and every deputation to the Secretary of State has asked for an increase of their number; but I am afraid that the Government of India do not fully realise the value of this point. The insignificant sum which the Government spends on this department was £215,667 for 1911-12. The land revenue in India for 1911-12 was £20,000,327. Not even one per cent. of this vast sum was spent for improving the conditions of agriculture in this country!"

Nawab Viqarulmulk, Justice Shahden of the Punjab, Raja of Mahmoodabad, Sir Ibrahim Rahimtullah, Mr. Masood, Mr. Mahammad Ali of the "Comrade" and Mr. Syed Wazir Hoosein are amongst those expected at the Aligarh College emergency meeting on 1st January.

LAW'S DELAY.

GAIETY THEATRE CASE.

STRONG OBSERVATIONS BY HIGH COURT JUDGE.

(Associated Press.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 23.

Some strong observations were made in the High Court yesterday regarding the delay in deciding the case in which Mr. Tom Melbourne, a comedy artiste of the Gaiety Theatre was charged with assaulting Mr. Moller under circumstances already reported. It appears that on Saturday, Mr. Justice Holmwood at his residence issued a rule calling upon the Chief Presidency Magistrate to show cause why Melbourne should not be permitted to leave for Colombo and be represented in court by a Pleader. Upon this Mr. Melbourne left for Colombo last morning. When the matter was mentioned in the High Court Mr. James asked their Lordships to end the matter by fining his client Melbourne.

Mr. Justice Holmwood replied:—"The case has been disgracefully prolonged and is a public scandal. I hope you will do your best to have it finished to-day. The Magistrate can show cause before us without any prejudice to you. Your client must be allowed to appear by a pleader to-day, as he is not in Calcutta. Whatever cause may be shown by the Magistrate, it is quite impossible to get this man back to-day and the case must be disposed of to-day. If it is not, the learned Presidency Magistrate and the parties will hear something about it. We are both agreed that the time this case has taken is a perfect disgrace to justice.

Mr. Buckland,—It is deplorable.

Mr. Justice Holmwood, it is most deplorable. It must be finished at once. If there is any delay on the part of the defence, we will issue a warrant and bring this man back. That is our last observation and if it is not finished to-day we may find it necessary to recall the accused."

Mr. James. I hope your Lordships will take it up and finish it to-day.

Mr. Justice Holmwood.—It is not a matter for us to settle. The Magistrate ought to finish it in half an hour.

Subsequently in the Police Court Mr. Keays said he would deliver judgment on the 3rd proximo.

"INDIAN PATRIOT" DEFAMATION CASE.

MAGISTRATE'S CONVICTION REVERSED ON APPEAL.

(Associated Press.)

MADRAS, Dec. 23.

The appeal preferred by Dewan Bahadur C. Karunakara Menon, Editor of the "Indian Patriot," against his conviction and sentence to pay a fine of Rs. 300, by Mr. W. S. Marshall, Junior Presidency Magistrate, Georgetown, on a charge of having published in the issue of the "Indian Patriot," of the 11th March, a report defamatory to the Hon. Dr. T. M. Nair, it was alleged in the Police Court that the paper had stated that Dr. Nair used the words "Hang them on the nearest tree" applying the words to the sufferers from malaria at Tondiarpet.

The case came on for hearing to-day at the High Court before Mr. Justice Sankaran Nair and Mr. Justice Ayling.

The plea on the part of Dr. Nair was, that the words were used in a private conversation, and were never meant to apply to the suffering ratepayers, and that it was maliciously misrepresented by the paper to apply to the sufferers.

Mr. R. Sadagopachariar on behalf of the appellant contended that there was really no difference between the report published in the paper and what Dr. Nair and his witnesses admitted as having transpired at the Corporation meeting. He maintained that the evidence did not sustain the conviction and that his client was not guilty of the charge made.

After hearing Mr. J. L. Rosario, in support of the conviction, Their Lordships reversed the conviction; and the sentence, holding that at the point of defamation complained of lay in the imputation that Dr. Nair was indifferent to the sufferings of the residents of Tondiarpet. The question was whether the article complained of contained this imputation. The wording was somewhat ambiguous, and on the whole Their Lordships did not believe that a more sinister interpretation could be put upon it. Their Lordships directed the fine to be refunded.

MEXICAN CRISIS.

AN EMPTY THREAT.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.

The Mexican rebels have informed Lloyds that all vessels of whatever nationality bringing munitions consigned to President Huerta will be destroyed. It is believed that the threat is somewhat empty as the rebels possess no ships.

AMERICAN ANTI-TRUST LEGISLATION.

CORPORATE BODIES TAKE TIME BY FORE-LOCK.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.

As a result of Government's threat of more stringent anti-trust legislation a number of corporations have taken the initiative in re-organising their constitutions in conformity with existing laws, hoping to ward off the unfavourable conditions.

BOMBAY DEVELOPMENT.

MR. H. A. LALJI'S VIEWS.

CIRCULAR TRAIN LINES SUGGESTED

Mr. Husseinbhoy Abdullabhoy Lalji, who was nominated by the Bombay Municipal Corporation to give evidence before the Bombay Development Committee, has submitted the following written statement of his views on the subject:—

I simply wish to record without any comment that my views, as regards the subject matter the committee has under its consideration, and my reasons for the same will be found to be in consonance with those of the majority of the non-official witnesses who have been examined or have submitted their views; for example, I am opposed to the Reclamation Scheme, and that building space and ground for all our needs and requirements of the present and of the near future could be absolutely supplied by (*a*) utilising the Hornby Villard and the Mahim Woods; (*b*) the doing away of the B. B. & C. I. Ry. from Grant Road to Colaba; (*c*) by removing the Cotton Green from Colaba; (*d*) by the removal of the present Government House at Malbar Point, if desired; (*e*) by filling up all the low lying land in Bombay and in its vicinity; and (*f*) by acquiring under the Land Acquisition Improvement Trust, or Town Planning Acts, such other suitable lands as may be wanted or necessary.

The lands and sites required for our present and immediate need are I believe for (1) a New Government House; (2) additional Secretariat accommodation; (3) new Colleges for women, commerce, law and medicine; (4) the European General Hospital; (5) residential quarters for the different grades of studies; (6) for location of new industries and factories, and; (7) open spaces for the purpose of recreation and resort and roads.

Land for all these requirements I am of opinion can be easily attainable by utilising the plots I have enumerated without resorting to a Reclamation Scheme thus:

(1) A New Government House. This could be built on the Cooperage and Land extending as far as the Colaba Railway Station and if necessary by removing the three gymkhanas facing the sea. These gymkhanas being taken lower just say opposite the present B. B. & C. I. Railway Offices and Church Gate Street Station (*b*) at Middle Colaba Land for the same to be acquired if there is no Government land there available and (*c*) a magnificent Government House could be built on the land vacated by the B. B. & C. I. Ry. between Churney Road and Marine Line Stations.

(2) Additional Secretarial Accommodation.—The present Elphinstone College building should be wholly made over for the use of the Secretariat.

(3) New Colleges.—The present Elphinstone College should be removed into the present Sailors Home, that institution being suitably accommodated by acquisition say of the Ice Factories between the offices of the Port Trust and the B. I. S. N. Co. as a Sailors Home should be as near the Docks and Shipping as possible. The play and recreation ground for the new Elphinstone College to be made by the removal of the Post Office stables at the back of the Sailors Home, which should be taken into the neighbourhood of the present General Post Office somewhere on the Frere Road Estate.

(4) The Woman's College.—Could be erected on the present vacant military ground opposite the Sailor's Home and the Ripan Club while those of the Law and Commerce could be comfortably housed by the acquisition of Watson's Hotel. If this is not feasible these colleges can be built on the Chowpaty and Gamdevi Estate of the Improvement Trust. The Medical College can be built on the land now occupied by the barracks in Marine Lines the small contigent of troops stationed at Marine Lines being removed to Santa Cruz or thereabouts.

(4) The European General Hospital.—The present hospital must be removed from its present location to make room for the requirements of the G. I. P. and B. B. and C. I. Railways and it should be located in the site (a) that will be available by the removal of the Cotton Greens or (b) on the ground vacated by the Lunatic Asylum at Colaba being removed to Poona.

Residential Quarters.—For residential quarters for the wealthy, middle and labouring classes there will be, I think, sufficient land available after the above public buildings are provided for: I am strongly of opinion that all the Industries and factories should be built on the North East part of Bombay, and the owners and proprietors of such factories should in the case every factory employing over 100 hands, be compelled to build suitable quarters for their workmen.

As to open spaces for recreation and resort and roads our Engineers will find ample vacant land not made use of for their building purposes at every corner and specially the Jail Land at Umerkhady.

I know it is considered in some quarters that it would not be convenient for all passengers and goods traffic of the B. B. and C. I. and G. I. P. Railway terminating at Bori Bunder in one place. But I need only state that the E. I. and B. N. Railways of Calcutta have their traffic terminated at Howrah and from these passengers and goods have to come and be brought in Calcutta by other means of conveyance, and if Calcutta with its Railway Traffic of perhaps double the extent of ours can manage without having a Railway Terminus even within the heart of the Town surely the Bombay public ought not to complain because they can not travel by rail from Grant Road to Colaba.

I would suggest in lieu of this Railway, the building of a circular train line as they have in Calcutta and I would take the train from Grant Road via Chunam Kiln or Sydenham Roads, and Queens Road to join the tram line from where the Marine Lines Barracks stand, to Dhobi Talao or Money School, while motor buss traction I have not the slightest doubt will come into use for the other part of the town and the Overhead Railway if it has its terminus near the Government Custom House will more than compensate those who will be unable to travel from Grant Road to Church Gate by rail.

With the creation of these residential quarters, I should like to see the Municipality Building markets in suitable localities but the markets should not be merely for meat, fish and vegetables, but for all kinds of things of which people are constantly in need. They should be like the municipal markets of Calcutta.

KING EDWARD'S LABOUR TENTS.

Photo by Central News. *Bombay Chronicle Press.*

The Princess Royal opened the King Edward's Labour Tents of the Church Army in Great Peter Street, Westminster. (Left to Right) Prebendary Carlile, Lady Farquhar, Princess Royal, Princess Alexander, Lord Farquhar, and the Dean of Westminster.

JAMNAGAR AND BARODA AT VARIANCE.

The Hon. Mr. R. P. Barrow, I.C.S., Revenue Commissioner, Northern Division, will be busy from to-morrow in hearing an appeal of Jamnagar against Baroda in reference to the decision of Major W. M. P. Wood and Lieutenant J. C. Tata regarding the Okhaandal Reefs Dispute when the Hon. Mr. T. J. Strangman, Advocate-General, and Mr. Inverarity instructed by Rao Bahadur Soonderdas Narandas, Solicitor, of Messrs. Soonderdas and Co., will appear on behalf of the Baroda State and Messrs. E. B. Raikes, Moos and D. B. Shukla instructed by Mr. Darasha Solicitor, of Messrs. Payne and Co., will appear on behalf of Jamnagar State.

BURGLARY AT MULJI JETHA MARKET

Manganlal Jaimant, the cashier of Karsondas Premji, a partner in the firm of Karsondas Purshotam, a cloth merchant, having his shop at Mulji Jetha Market, reports that about 7 p. m. on Monday he missed a bag containing three currency notes of Rs. 1,000 each, and other petty cash collectively valued at Rs. 4,796 the property of his master. Manganlal says that he placed the money on the pedi and forgot all about it till he noticed its disappearance at 7 p. m.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY THE HON. COLONEL R. W. L. DUNLOP, C.I.E., V.D., COMMANDING.

Dec. 24.

1415.—Proficiency Class. A Proficiency Class will be held on Monday the 5th January 1914 at 7 p.m. at Head-quarters, Council Road.

1416.—Camp of Instruction. It is notified for information that the Annual Training Camp will be held at Santa Cruz from 31st January to 7th February 1914.

1417.—Roll Books. All Company parade Roll Books to be returned to Head-quarters immediately.

1418.—Musketry. The Range at Ghat Kopar is allotted to "G" Company recruits on Saturday afternoon the 3rd January for Table A Trains leave Victoria Terminus at 1-35 p.m. and 2-50 p.m.

(Sd.) R. E. A. ELLIOT, Lieut.,
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NOTICE.

A Boxing Tournament will take place on the Cooperage on the 7th, 8th, 9th, and 10th of January, 1914. A Cup will be given for the Volunteer Championship of Bombay. Entries close on 1st of January 1914. Programme can be seen at Headquarters.

A VALUABLE SHAWL MISSING.

A cash merchant named Joosub Haji Hasam, residing at Bhajipala Street reports that a shawl of his in which Rs. 531 were tied up, was stolen from near his cash box in his pedi on Monday last.

AGRICULTURISTS AT COIMBATORE.

Members and visitors who were present at the eighth meeting of the Board of Agriculture in India at Coimbatore. Among those seated on chairs are:—Sir John and Lady Atkinson, Sir Alfred Bourne, Mr. and Mrs. J. Mackenna, Hon. Mr. Wynch and Mr. W. W. Smart of Bombay.

Among those seated on the ground are:—Dr. Maun, Mr. Browning Smith, Col. Pease, Prof. Burns, Messrs. Chadwick, Coulston, Wood, Fletcher, Arono Schmidt, Dr. Coleman and Major Heather.

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ALL INDIA NEWS IN BREIF.

A Lahore telegram says that the District Magistrate, Amritsar has demanded a security of Rs. 2,000 from a local Moslem paper, "Al Hadis."

The Government of India have under consideration the memorial submitted by the chaplains asking for improvements in pay and pension. It is understood that a despatch will be sent Home on the subject in January.

A Young Burmese Christian Lady Ma Saw Sa. F. R.C.S., has just returned to Rangoon from Europe and finds that she is not welcome as the Burmese people are very much opposed to surgical operations. Ma Saw Sa will probably be given a Government appointment.

The Lieutenant-Governor of Burma proceeds on tour to the Arracan Coast January 4 beginning with Akyab, Kyaukpyu thence finally Sandoway and Andrew Bay. Sir Harvey Adamson who will be accompanied by Lady Adamson and his staff return to Rangoon on the 18th January.

Mrs. Stannard and Sayed Mustapha Roumi have arrived in Karachi in connection with the Bahai religious propaganda. Mrs. Stannard will deliver a series of expository lectures on the Bahai teaching at the Theosophical Hall in Karachi during the Christmas week, and will thereafter make a tour of India in the same interest.

Despite the warning of the Nepal Durbar that if recruiting on a large scale of certain "jats" of its best class of labourers for service in British territory was continued, it would be compelled to stop it altogether, the Government's operations have not ceased. A second batch of no less than six hundred have been recruited for service as carriers for the Abor and Mishmi surveys.

The total expenditure on public instruction in India since 1885 has more than trebled itself. The number of institutions for males during the period has risen from 8,112,053 to 5,837,866 and of females from 5,592 to 16,113. The number of male scholars attending these has gone up from 3,112,088 to 5,837,866 and of females from 212,997 to 953,989.

Among the treasure trove notices in the "Gazette of India," is one relating to the discovery in North Arcot of two iron cannons, one measuring eleven feet by five feet and the other eleven feet by four and-a-half feet. Another important find, made in the Trichinopoly district, relates to a stone image of Ranganadaswami reclining on a serpent and measuring 10 feet 4 inches long, 4 feet wide and 5 feet thick at the head-end and 3½ feet wide and 2½ feet thick at the foot-end, whose estimated cost is from Rs. 500 to Rs. 1,000.

Syed Mohammed Vajeeh visited Aligarh en route the Philippine Isles for which he has been appointed Shikh-Ul-Islam by Turkey in response to a request from the American Governor. The Sheikh is young, 35 years old and well versed in Arabic, Turkish, Persian, French and German. He intends visiting Deoband, Bhopal, Calcutta, and Rangoon, and will receive £80 monthly from the American Government, which also has accepted the condition laid down that orders issued by the Sheikh will be taken as if direct from the Sultan.

Lala Lajpat Rai has received the following letter dated the 15th instant from the Rev. E. L. Porter, M.A., Principal, Gordon Mission College, Rawalpindi: "I have the honour to enclose herewith a cheque for Rs. 100 collections by the students of Gordon Mission College in aid of Indians in South Africa. This is the first instalment and another will follow soon. Much interest is manifested among the students which has taken a practical form. I am pleased to see the students of this college so ready to help their fellow countrymen in distress and hope that the help sent may do much to relieve the situation."

An extensive tour in connexion with the work of the St. John Ambulance Association is being undertaken by Major Blackham, C.I.E., honorary general secretary. He leaves Simla on December 23rd and his dates will be: Arrive Gwalior, 24th; Jaipur, January 2nd; Ajmere, (visit to Kishengar), 5th; Udaipur, 9th; Rutlam, 12th; Jamnagar, 16th; Gondal, 17th; Rajkot, 19th; Baroda, 21st; Bombay, 25th; Poona, February 1st; Hyderabad, Deccan, 4th; Delhi (All-India Ambulance Competitions), 10th; Allahabad 23rd; Calcutta, 26th; Darjeeling, March 4th; Shillong, 8th; Delhi, 15th; Faridkot, 19th; Lahore, 20th; Quetta, 23rd; Karachi, 28th; Simla, April 1st.

On the 2nd September, 1895, after the conclusion of the Chitral Expedition, the present Mehtar of Chitral was installed as ruler of the Katur country; but at the same time the Khushwakt districts of Mastuj and Laspur, lying to the west of the Shandur Pass, were taken away and placed under an independent Governor. Those two districts, are not properly speaking part of Chitral, and ever since 1895 have been governed by a Mehtarjoa who is independent of the Mehtar of Chitral. This arrangement has now been altered, and the Secretary of State has sanctioned the retransference to the direct control of the Mehtar of Chitral of the two districts Mastuj and Laspar.

An executive committee meeting of the Calcutta Scouts Corps was held at Calcutta on the 19th when it was reported that Mr. Justice Richardson had accepted the command of the corps. Recruiting is going on actively, and up to the present 118 active members have been enrolled. An application to Government for approval has been drawn up and will be forwarded to Delhi during the next day or two. Mr. Darcy Lindsay has undertaken the duties of Treasurer and some large firms have already made ready response. Several pipers have handed in their names for enrolment but up to the present only one drummer has enrolled. Mr. J. A. Tassie has been deputed to make enquiries regarding a suitable drill hall and when premises have been secured drill will commence.

From a Blue Book issued recently it appears that the number of printing presses in India during the decade ending 1880 was 751. During the next decade it had gone up to 1,465 and in the following decade to 2,153. Last year it stood at 2,781. The number of newspapers during the thirty-two years rose from 328 to 659 and of periodicals from 322 to 2,269. The number of Indian vernacular and classical books last year was about six times as large as the number of books printed in English or in other European languages. During the year 1912, in the number of newspapers the United Provinces stood first with 141, followed by Bombay (139), Bengal (115), Madras (87), and the Punjab (76). This province had only 20 news papers. Madras had about double the number of periodicals published by all the other provinces together. The fertility of the Bengal presses is noticeable as regards the production of books which greatly exceed in number those produced by any other province. Of the books written in Indian vernaculars Bengalee had 2,129, Hindi, 1,16 and Urdu 1,147.

The Madras Government has sanctioned the proposals of the Director of Public Instruction to distribute a total subsidy of Rs. 8,73,905 among local bodies during the current year for the following objects:—(1) Rs. 6,79,879 among district boards and Municipal Councils for the maintenance of elementary schools opened in 1911-12, and 1912-13 and for payment of capitation allowance; (2) Rs. 99,252 among District Boards and Municipal Councils to meet the cost of the enhancement of salaries of teachers in their elementary schools from Rs. 8 to Rs. 10; (3) Rs. 974 between the Municipal Councils of Vizagapatam and Gudivattam to meet the cost of maintaining the three boys' schools already opened by them in the current year; (4) Rs. 33,330 among twenty-one District Boards and eleven Municipal Councils for opening 197 girls' schools and one boys' school; (5) Rs. 49,538 among nineteen District Boards for maintaining the sessional schools opened in 1912-13; and (6) Es. 10,932 among eight district boards for opening new sessional schools in 1913-14.

At the Calcutta High Court on Monday last before Justices Imam and Chapman Babu Khitish Chundra Sen appeared in support of a rule issued on the District Magistrate of Chittagong to show cause why the conviction of and sentence passed upon Bishal and others should not be set aside. Bishal, a coolie employed in the Baramasia Tea Estate, was given, it was alleged, wrongfully short pay by the garden authorities. On his making a protest he was beaten and driven away by the chowkidars. The manager. Mr. Bremner, enquired into the case and, it was alleged, ordered the chowkidar to beat Bishal. The chowkidar did not do so and Mr. Bremner it was alleged beat Bishal with a stick, which the latter snatched away. It was then alleged that Mr. Bremner fired a revolver at Bishal the bullet grazing his hair. Thereafter Bishal and others assaulted Mr. Bremner, for which they (the petitioners) were prosecuted for an offence under Section 323 of the Penal Code and were each sentenced to ten days' rigorous imprisonment. Their Lordships made the rule absolute and released the petitioners remarking that the petitioners had acted in self-defence.

A MALABAR SENSATION.

HORRIBLE MURDER OF A RAJAH.

The Calicut correspondent of the "Hindu" writes under date Dec. 15:—

The gruesome tale of an atrocious murder by a Moplah, in which the senior Rajah of Katannamanra Kovilagam is the victim, has been reported from Perintalamanna, Walvand. The deceased was the present Valia Thempurar, and belonged to the Walvnad Rajah's family. He was in his 54th year. The murderer was one Mokori, a Moplaha, who was for sometime a sepoy in the Moplah regiment, and who has recently been implicated in several cases of theft. One of the reasons attributed to the cruel deed is that the said Mokori had been greatly offended at the attitude assumed by the local higher castes, including the deceased Rajah, in not permitting his wife, who was a carpenter woman, and whom Mokori induced to embrace the Moslem faith very recently, to move in the environments of such men for fear of pollution. Another cause is that, four days prior to the occurrence of the murder, the local Adigari was robbed of a sum of Rs. 1,500, and that Mokori, having been suspected as the probable culprit, the deceased Rajah sent for him and threatened him with arrest by the police in the presence of several others. No other reasons have been assigned to the motive for the murder. Now, the Rajah had some coconut piantations near Mokori's house, and he was accustomed to visiting those plantations almost every evening.

MERCILESSLY HACKED TO PIECES.

As usual, he went to the spot on the day of occurrence and, while returning to the Kovilagam, he was attacked, on the way by Mokori, who had been armed with a hatchet and a chopper, and who mercillessly hacked the Rajah to pieces, inflicting as many as 92 deep cut wounds. There were some people witnessing the deed, but none of them dared to approach Mokori, and rescue the victim. Not being content with the murder of the Rajah, Mokori made a rush to the Kovilagam to put an end to the life of the next senior Rajah, who was in the front yard, and who would have met with a similar fate, had it not been for the cry raised by a Nair from behind. The gentlemon took to his heels immediately, and took shelter in a temple. Mokri next tried to enter the Kovilagam, but, before he could do so, one of the Thamburathies proved herself equal to the occasion by shutting the doors. He next turned his attention to Mr. Bhanu Rajah who was not then in the locality and lastly to two Nair gentlemen from whom he extorted a sum of Rs. 30 although the demand was oor Rs. 100.

SETS FIRE TO A HOUSE.

Hisa last victim however, was one Koman Nair, to whose house Mokori went, and asked a boy standing outside whether Kannan was there. The latter who happened to be inside and to hear the arrogant tone of Mokori, instructed the boy to reply in the negative. Mokori, overheard it, and tried to enter into the house, but before he could do so the inmates of the house managed to close the doors securely, with the result that Mokori, with a view to take revenge upon them, set fire to the house in which were Kannan Nair, his two nieces and three children. The lunatic after waiting until the fire had made good progress, came away, but, fortunately, the neighbours came to the rescue and saved the poor souls before perishing. Nothing has been heard of since about Mokori, although Mr. T. A. Sesha Shastri, Sub-Magistrate, Walwanad, visited the place, organized a search party consisting of about sixty men and tried to effect his arrest. Mr. W. Rabjohns, I.C.S., Divisional officer, Malapuram, also, had been to the spot, and did much to assure the people of their future safety. Twelve constables of the Malapuram special force, under a Head Constable a European Sergeant have been posted to Katannamanra and Mankata. Mr. E. W. Legh, I.C.S., our Collector, also has gone to the spot. A vigorous enquiry is proceeding.

VOODOO SACRIFICE.

CUBAN NEGROES ACCUSED OF KILLING A WHITE GIRL.

The newspapers this morning publish despatches from Havana containing extraordinary revelations regarding "blood ritual," which is alleged to be practised in connexion with the cult of Voodooism (negro sorcery) in Cuba," wired the "Central News" correspondent from New York, on December 1.

"The negroes have been charged with killing a white girl four years of age for the purpose of voodoo sacrifice, and the detectives engaged on the case claim to have unearthed the existence of what practically amounts to a voodoo trust. This organisation is said to have branches all over the island, and the blood of white children obtained by agents in one district is alleged to have been forwarded to other parts of the island for the purposes of ritual sacrifice.

In the case in question the allegation is that the voodoos, or witch doctors, after drawing the child's blood, saturated the body with alcohol, and then dynamited the house in which the orgies took place, the object being to obliterate all trace of the crime. The noise of the explosion, however, brought up the Rural Guards, and their investigations led to the arrests.

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WOMAN'S DOMAIN.

A Weekly Causerie.

By Mrs. John Gilpin.

In my last week's article on Sweetmeat Making, we began with the unboiled varieties, so this week we will take the art of sugar boiling as our principal theme though there are still a great many kinds of dessert-dainties which can be made without boiling; still, if you intend to go seriously into the art you may just as well learn what I called the Alpha and Omega of it. For this, above all things you should go to the expense of a Sugar Boiling thermometer; there are ways of testing as I will tell about for the benefit of those who only intend to make sweets now and again by way of a pastime; but for those who mean to take the thing seriously the cost of a thermometer will soon be recouped by the accuracy and success of the work. So very little difference in the heat makes a very great difference in the work. There are thermometers and thermometers, and you should see to it when choosing yours that you get a really strong reliable article. It should have a strong, brass frame, holding the tube and bulb, which should be guarded by metal bars, back and front; and the degrees on it should mark from 30 to 405. Never forget to lower it into the sugar quite gently, and if you are in a very cold dry climate, it is well to have it standing in tepid water, so that the sudden change from a very low temperature does not cause a too rapid expansion, with a consequent shattering of the costly thermometer. They cost about Rs. 7-8 to Rs. 10 out here I think. In addition to the few necessaries I gave last week, for the Boiled Sweets you will need a set of three or four aluminium, block tin or enamel saucepans; the first is the most satisfactory kind, but the tin will do quite well till you are sure you wish to pursue the art or not. Whatever pans you choose should be kept entirely for the sweetmeats, as the sugar to easily takes the taste of something which you fondly imagine has been entirely eliminated by cleaning; a chemist's spatula; two or three wooden spoons with half the bowl cut off to make a flat flange for stirring the sugar I find more satisfactory than the spatulas sold for the purpose and much cheaper; a wire fork made by twisting a piece of thickish wire together to make a handle, and forming the two ends into two prongs; a wire sweet ring, which is made by forming a piece of wire into a circle and twisting the two ends together and sticking them into a wooden handle; a sugar scraper which is a small cylinder of tin to form a hold, with a piece of flat tin soldered on along one side; the knives I have already mentioned; they should be broad and flexible like a palette ful of water and set it to dissolve slowly. the one you deal with would, no doubt, tell you where they could be purchased and the cost; one or two hair or wire sieves of different fineness; a skimmer or large tin spoon some small flat cake tins, for which I, with my always frugal mind, use the tops of biscuit tins as a very good substitute. Later on there will be moulds for the sweets and a few other things, but this is quite enough to make a start with.

VARIETIES OF SUGAR.

The amateur must take into consideration the different kinds and qualities of sugar required for the different kinds of sweets. As I told you last week, for the unboiled varieties Tate's XXX, confectioners' sugar is the best of all. For Boiled Fondants and creams the best cane sugar will be found the cheapest in the end, as the results will be more certain, and there will be less scum; this means that it is purer than others, for the scum is really the impurities in the sugar rising to the top in the process of boiling; Tate's No. 1 Cube sugar, Confectioner's A sugar, and the best granulated sugar are all excellent for this purpose. For dark Sweets, such as toffees and dark caramels good Demerara sugar is the best. There is also Maple Sugar required for some very delicious creams, but I question whether that can be bought out here, I have never tried. It is better to weigh always, but as that may mean extra expense for our would-be Sweet Maker, it is useful to know that an ordinary tumbler holds half a pound, and two tablespoonfuls go to an ounce. Tablespoonfuls, or any spoon measurements mean pretty nearly as much above the rim of the spoon as there is below. Pure Glucose is very useful and may be bought at any reliable grocery firm. It is a clear, white, gelatinous substance made from starch, honey, and grape juice and is especially useful for those sweets which are not to be used at once, and also to prevent granulation, one of the little difficulties awaiting the embryo Sugar Boiler. A dry clear atmosphere is the ideal one for sugar boiling and in any case the steam of kettles or boiling pans is to be avoided. If you use the best cane sugars you will probably not need to clarify the boiling syrup, but in case you should, the procedure is as follows:—Dissolve two pounds of sugar in two large cupfuls of water in which the white of one egg has been beaten, and slowly heat the mixture till the scum rises, remove the pan from the fire and skim well and repeat the process till the syrup is quite clear. Now to the principal art itself and the ways of testing the different stages without a thermometer; as I shall give the degrees of heat for each stage it will be equally useful for one working with a thermometer. This is not an art to be learned without the usual amount of practice and failures, teaching you where you made mistakes and to remedy them.

FOUR PRINCIPAL DEGREES.

The professional Sweet Maker recognises eleven degrees of Sugar Boiling, but I propose to take the four principal ones which may be tested with more or less accuracy without a thermometer. A spoon, a pointed stick and a bowl of icecold water will be required. Into a perfectly clean pan put two and a half cups of sugar to half a cupful of water and set it to dissolve slowly stirring now and again with the wooden spatula; when the sugar is quite melted remove the spoon and wipe round the sides of the pan with a wet rag or a paste brush dipped in water to remove any granules that may have formed; cover the pan and let it boil quickly till the steam comes from under the edge of the cover; remove this and if the syrup is clear test it by dipping a spoon into it; if it will form a thin thread the first degree of 220deg. is reached. This is used for boiled icing. The next of the four is the "soft ball" for Fondant and should register 240deg. and may be tested by dipping the pointed stick into the water, then into the syrup and back into the water and should form into a "soft ball" when rolled between the fingers. The "hard ball" stage is tested in the same manner, but as the name implies should form a hard lump between the fingers and the thermometer should register 252deg. The "crack" is reached at 260deg. and should form into a brittle drop when poured into iced water. There are, as I said before, many others, but the higher the temperature the greater care and knowledge required, so these four are quite enough to start with. It is a very good thing before making anything with the syrup to boil some several times to the different stages, learning to test them quickly and noting what the appearance of the sugar is at the different stages; in this way you would soon know enough not to be constantly testing it long before there was any need for doing it, or waiting until the different stages were passed. I will now give the Recipe for the Boiled Fondant. This makes into sweets not unlike the unboiled kinds, but they have a richer flavour and can be kept in airtight bottles for quite a time. In the higher stages of sugar boiling we come to the Granulating difficulty and its prevention, but that will be dilated upon when that part of the art is dealt with. In any case, out here, I think a little glucose should always be added, for the conditions are much more difficult for storage than in more temperate climes.

FRENCH FOUNDATION FONDANT.

Rinse out the pan very carefully with water, so that there should not be the least speck of dust even; place two pounds of the best cane sugar in it with a wineglassful and a half of water and let it dissolve quite slowly in the manner already indicated, stirring it till the crystals are quite absorbed; then clean the sides of the pan to the surface of the syrup with a clean wet cloth, place the lid on and let all boil till the steam comes from under the lid, remove this and let the syrup boil till by the thermometer, the heat registers 240deg. or by testing with the pointed stick the syrup adhering to it forms a soft ball. The pan must not be shaken or the syrup stirred during this boiling. Your marble slab, of course, most delicately clean, should be well rubbed with the best olive or almond oil, pour the sugar out on to this, and leave it, till by pressing the fingers lightly into it, they will leave a mark yet no crust is formed; should you start stirring it till it is sufficiently cool it will grain. Now work it with the wooden spatula, and with the tin scraper in the left hand, keep shovelling the mass together and prevent its running off the slab; working till it all becomes of a creamy appearance and a thick, white, pasty consistency; rinse and dry the hands and knead until it feels creamy under the hands. Divide it before it gets cold into the portions required, colour and flavour each for making the various kinds decided upon and well knead each to get the flavour and colours even. Wrap these in grease proof paper and set aside for at least six hours, or store in jars, when it will be ready for moulding and filling as required.

I forgot to say that when boiling the sugar a teaspoonful of glucose should be added when the syrup is nearly ready to be removed from the fire, as excessive cooking is apt to cause it to give a slightly bitter taste to the sugar. Should the sugar start graining, as it probably will do, until you have had experience it must be returned to the pan with the original amount of water and the whole process gone through again. When kneading, unless the mass is very soft it is better not to mix in the dry scrapings from the slab; not that they should be wasted, nothing is in sugar boiling, for they can be moistened with a few drops of syrup and reboiled with fresh sugar. There are two other ways of making this Foundation Fondant which I must give next week for I do want to give one or two recipes before coming to the end of to-day's article.

CHOCOLATE FONDANT.

This is most useful, for it is what is used for the coating of nuts or any other fillings, even just the plain fondant itself. Whatever is to be coated should be ready prepared; if nuts it is better to use them chopped or pounded and mixed with a little of the plain fondant; muscatel raisins are also very nice and should be stoned and filled with a little of the fondant first. In fact it is not difficult to think out all sorts of fruits and pastes suitable for this. Now for the recipe. To each three-quarter pound of the fondant allow three tablespoonfuls of grated chocolate and a few drops of caramel or brown colouring, made by carefully cooking, brown sugar in a spoon over the fire till a rich dark brown; place the grated chocolate in a basin in a pan of boiling water and when melted stir in the fondant, adding a very little syrup and a small walnut-sized piece of fresh butter; work it thoroughly and smoothly, but do not allow it to overheat. Take the centres on a hat pin, plunge them into the mixture and coat them well, then drop them on to tin sheets or paraffin paper to harden in as dry and cool an air as possible, and then pack them in air-tight bottles or tins. There is still much to tell about Sweet Making which I shall hope to continue doing next week.

MARRIAGEABLE WOMEN.

A SURPRISING STATEMENT.

"NO SURPLUS IN ENGLAND."

Considerable surprise has been created among Australasian and other Colonial officials in London by the statement of Sir H. Rider Haggard, at Sunderland House, on Dec., 1, to the effect that in England there is no surplus of marriageable women; and the surprise may be said to be of a painful character, by reason of his further assertion that he was speaking with the authority of the Dominions Royal Commission, which has recently required into the subject, says the special correspondent of the "Westminster Gazette."

At the offices fo the High Commissioner of the Australian Commonwealth genuine astonishment was yesterday expressed.

"We take the view," said an official who has spent many years in organising the efforts of Australians to secure an adequate supply of female settlers, "that the difficulty in the Colonies is merely an extension of the home trouble. Young women and girls, whom we encourage to go out to Australia as domestic servants, are hard to find because they are attracted to other kinds of work. So many avenues of employment have opened up to women in recent years, that the career of domestic service has lost its charm.

"Sir H. Rider Haggard's declaration that the class of female settler desired in the Colonies is not to be found in this country a scarcely, I venture to think, fits the facts," says the correspondent. It is common ground, of course, that there is a serious shortage in the supply. Six years ago it was comparatively easy to get as many domestic servants as we wanted; but, even with the offer of an exceedingly low transport fare, the number sent out is very much smaller to-day. However, a certain number of satisfactory female settlers are still continually passing through our hands, although the trouble of getting them to leave the home land is very much greater than formerly."

AUSTRALIAN LADY'S ASTONISHMENT.

An Australian lady, who has had exceptional experience of the work associated with the emigration of women and their settlement in the new country, frankly admitted that the distinguished novelist had upset all her estimates of the situation in his references to the supply of marriageable women in this country.

"I have been in all parts of England during the past two years," she said "lecturing under the auspices of the Commonwealth Government to audiences of women, for the express purpose of inducing some of the surplus population to take advantage of the hearty welcome awaiting them in Australia. It may be taken as a generally accepted idea that women's prospects in this country are prejudiced because there are too many of them in comparison with the men; and it is indeed surprising to learn, on the authority of a member of the Dominions Royal Commission, that we have been labouring under a false impression. I shall examine this startling declaration of Sir H. Rider Haggard's without a moment's delay, on account of its intimate and serious relation to the Australian population problem."

Pending the verification of this disturbing announcement, this lady is inclined to believe that the difficulty of finding an adequate number of acceptable female emigrants to Australia from this country would yield to the introduction of a more generous Government policy.

"As a matter of fact, I think the authorities in our Colonies are largely to blame for the scarcity of women by which they are undoubtedly confronted. The emigration of the two sexes should have been maintained on a more equal footing, but by withholding the necessary financial support from the single women a serious disturbance in the numerical balance has taken place."

SPURNED GIRL'S REVENGE.

TRAGEDY IN AN OFFICE.

The New York correspondent of the "Daily Mail" wired on Dec. 5:—

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Mr. Chase was not in the office, and the girl waited for him to appear. When he did so, he raised his hat politely to her, took off his coat and hat and sat down and bent over his desk. Quickly the girl rose and pulled her chair close behind him and engaged in a whispered talk, with some twenty men and girl clerks as interested spectators. They observed her fumble in her muff. She produced a hammerless revolver of small calibre and aimed at the back of Mr. Chase's bent head. The bullet entered the naps of his neck and came out at his forehead. The girl then turned the weapon on herself, inflicting a wound in the breast, and fell insensible against her victim's body.

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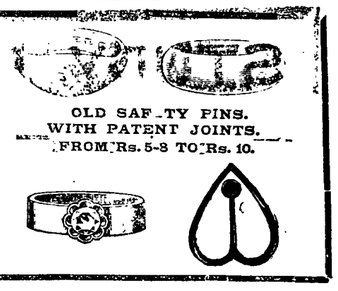
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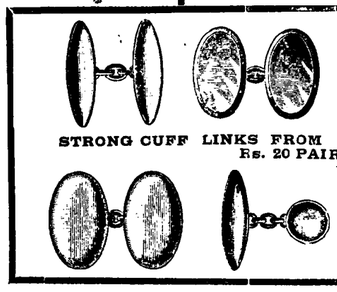
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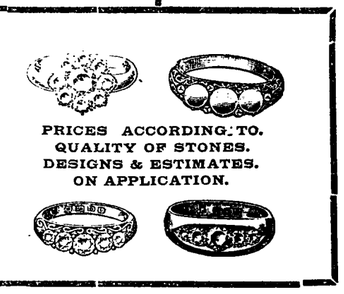
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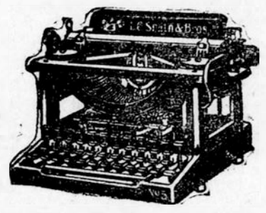

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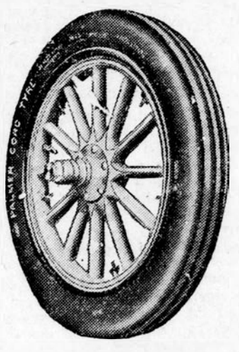

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